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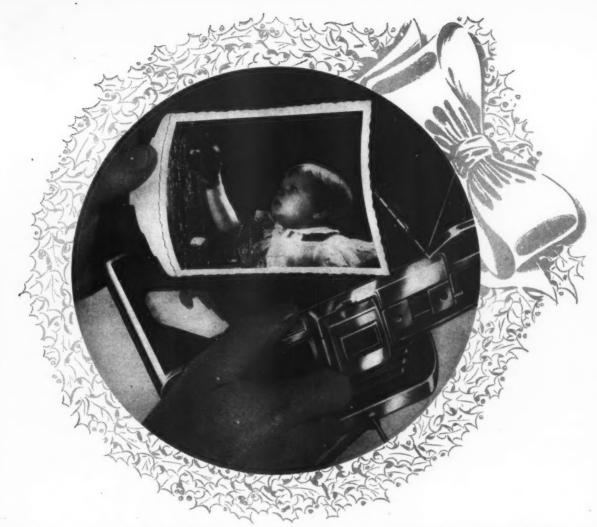
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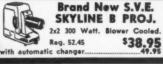
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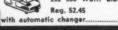
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At present I supplement my income by taking wedding pictures, and photographs for the YMCA and my church. Just what is my status? New York, N. Y. Lawrence G. Heinrich

• If less than half your income is derived from photography, then you are an amateur, as far as our \$75,000 contest is concerned. This is a commonly used definition. But since there are exceptions, it's a good idea to check before you enter other contests .- Ed.

As Others See Us

As I have noticed that pictorialist views have only a rare chance of winning a prize in the U.S.A., I thought



this silly shot might do better. It was taken with a Praktiflex at f/4 and 1/25 sec., using two floods. Koksyde, Belgium Marcel De Meirleir

Don't Get Mad

Sirs:

How do you BLOW UP a negative or a print? Do you use some kind of a hand bellows or power fan for large sizes? I have been a photographer for many years, but can't figure out why you talk about blowing up.

Richard Goodman Chicago, Ill.

· Webster has two definitions-but if you want to know more about the photographic side look at page 54 of this issue. F. F. Pype tells about Enlarging from A to Z, in the first of a series of articles on this subject.-Ed.

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Perhaps I am judging too fast on the article "The New Trend In Color" in the Nov. issue of MODERN, pages 50 to 55. Pray tell why would a photo be classed as "good" when it's out of focus like our friend Ed Brown's shot on page 51? Medina, Ohio

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THIS MONTH'S COVER . . .

We won't vouch for the skiing ability of our cover girl this month, but she does look good holding onto those pieces of wood. For the information on how the photograph was made plus other information on making color portraits outdoors, turn to the article on pages 50 and 51.

WE PROUDLY ANNOUNCE . . .

About six months ago, a letter arrived on our desk from a member of the staff of Bethany College in West Virginia. With no suitable photographers among its 486 students and not enough occasion to hire a photographer full-time, Bethany asked us to find a high school graduate who would take on the job as college photographer in return for a four-year college scholarship including room and board. The official photographer would be able to earn pocket money by photographing college dances, football games and such.

We promptly got in touch with the New York Police Athletic League's photographic division. This outfit, directed by photographer Victor Keppler, maintains photographic centers throughout New York to channel the efforts of city children to useful purposes. Eighteen-year-old PAL member Melvin Miller was recommended by Keppler. He came from a family where college plans had not even been considered because of strained financial circumstances. Modern examined his work, done in the PAL darkrooms and as a photographic counselor at a summer camp. Bethany College was noti-



Miller at work

fied that its photographer had been found. In September he reported for college at Bethany. This month he was formally presented with the college scholarship before city and police officials at a ceremony in New York. MODERN bought in advance the picture story of his first year's work in college.

The check will help Melvin through his first year. The story will appear late in 1953. In the meantime, wanted: three more colleges to offer similar scholarships for next year and the succeeding two years so PAL youngsters with a talent for photography will have one chance per year to go to college.

EVERYBODY READS IT . . .

Last September, MODERN ran a cover photograph of a chimpanzee by David Peskin because the editors thought that it would be nice to look at a face other than a pretty girl on the cover. A flood of reader mail indicated that we were right, wrong, that the cover was funny, ugly, interesting and horrible. One



Narcissus complex?

reader, however, found it more to his liking than any other. Photographer Arthur Mann happened to be present when the chimp was perusing MODERN. We like to think that the provocative smile was caused by an item in Coffee Break but there's no accounting for a chimpanzee's sense of humor.

SOMETHING NEW . . .

It has just begun with New York's Metropolitan Camera Club Council. The boys and girls at the council wanted a new way to choose the four best prints of the year from among the winners of the monthly black-andwhite council competitions of the past year. These monthly competitions involve over 3,000 prints annually from the 116 clubs participating in the council

The council invited a group of people whose business is the daily critical analysis of photographs to judge the winners. The results the Critics' Awards. The first awards, given to the following photographers, were presented at the annual dinner of the Metropolitan Camera Club Council,

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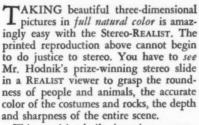
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Nov. 10, by Jacquelyn Judge, Editor, MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY:

Leo Lerch, Manhattan Camera Club; William Berriel, Hypo Hounds; Levon Roubian, Pictorial Photographers of America; Harry Sheridan, Fresh Meadows.

Other critics who assisted in judging the first awards were: Bruce



LEO LERCH

Critics liked it

Downes, Editor, Photography; Ed Hannigan, Managing Editor, U. S. Camera; Jacob Deschin, Camera Editor, New York Times. It is expected that there will be other additions to the critics' panel before next year's judging.

IT ALL BEGAN . . .

Almost two years ago MODERN published a provocative picture section called Where Was the Photographer? We got the idea for the section from a remark made by one of the editors. He looked at a picture by a then unknown-



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Well, where was he?

to-us Swiss photographer, E. A. Heiniger, and asked "Where was the photographer?" We looked for more pictures that might elicit the same question. And then we looked for E. A. Heiniger. What we found out about Mr. Heiniger plus a selection of his really fine work begins on page 42.

ONE LAST PRODUCT . . .

After last month's odd photo items. we decided to let sleeping dogs lie . . . but . . . we couldn't help ourselves. After making our sterling resolution. the following announcement was received by our New Products editor and we print it without a single change: "Styletone, Inc., Chicago manufacturers, have introduced a fabulous line of satin sheets and matching pillow cases made of finest acetate satin. No oriental prince or harem favorite ever slept in such splendor. The ultimate in sophisticated sleeping luxury, these sheets induce healthy, blissful, natural rest and are available in an exotic range of colors, which include:

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- The second in our new enlarging series, following up Enlarging From A to Z, this issue, p. 54. The second article discusses completely the answers to the following questions: Why are there four contrast grades of enlarging paper? How do you know which one to use for a particular negative? How do you use it? All this presented in simple, readable style.
- A new look at movie composition by Peter Gowland. A famous professional gives you useful hints for using a compass and ruler to improve your movie making.
- A photobiography describing the work and approach of Bill Brandt, the Englishman called by many "the photographer's photographer."

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news of the photo industry

Back to business

The Universal Camera Corp., manufacturers of still and movie cameras and projectors, has been out of business for some time as anyone trying to get an odd-sized Universal film for his Universal camera must know.

But don't throw that camera out the window yet. The company has been reorganized. Sales, service and repair departments have been opened in New York and a factory in Massachusetts. The old tools, dies and patents of the old company are now owned by the reorganized group.

The new company has announced that it is making available immediately all the films sold by the old company.

Straws in the wind

To appear on the market in the near future: At least three more stereo cameras, all making 35mm, 23×24 mm pairs; a 35mm single lens reflex camera taking sequence pictures via a spring motor, an ultra speed lens for 35mm cameras with an opening greater than f/1.

We regret we can supply no more information on these items for the time being. All are in process of testing or planned manufacture. When available, we'll let you know.

The Japanese approach

The Japanese magazine, Camera World, expressed surprise recently at the differences between camera prices in Japan and elsewhere.

In America, say the editors, popular box cameras can be bought for the same price as a steak dinner. Box cameras in Japan, however, they continue, are not in favor. Although box cameras, even in Japan, are less expensive than more complicated items, the Japanese public does not take to them. This is attributed to the vanity of the Japanese photographer who doesn't like to associate himself with box cameras but would rather have no camera at all. The editors favor the manufacture of a box-type camera with a f/3.5 lens and speeds to 1/100th as the solution.

But the installment plan has just hit the Japanese photographic industry. Whereas countless American families live in partially paid for houses, watch a partially paid for television set, and drive a partially paid for car, most Japanese evidently do not. The ice however has been broken, according to Camera World. An Osaka department store has recently caused quite a stir by offering to sell cameras on an installment basis. Retail shops, says Camera World, are faced with the necessity of adopting this system if they wish to sell high priced equipment.—THE END



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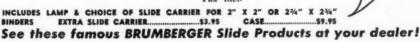
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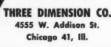


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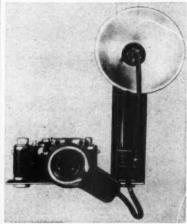
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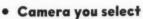


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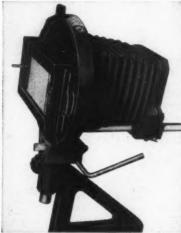
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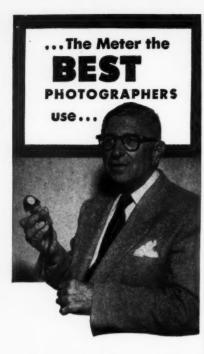
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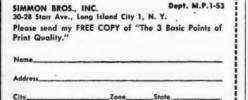
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14 WAYS TO PRINT A NEGATIVE

BY ROBERT ROLOFSON, JR.

some photographers like to dunk a negative in acetic acid for the fun of seeing what will happen. Others perform the same experiment in hopes that they can learn to control the result in such a way as to add one more tool to their bag of creative techniques. Whichever approach you use, a single negative will provide a basis for unlimited experimentation. The fourteen variations shown here barely scratch the surface of the experimental possibilities I found in a straight portrait negative.

The negative you choose to work with will, of course, be made on whatever type of film you normally use. Rather than risk spoiling it by reticulation or other special processes, however, I suggest you make duplicate negatives on one of the high contrast films used by engravers. Most film manufacturers supply this type of film under trade names such as Reprolith, Kodalith, Cracolith Plate, etc. Your dealer can order it for you. Since the film usually comes in sheets 8 x 10 inches in size, you will want to cut it into smaller sizes for making either contact prints or small enlargements from your original negative.

If you are intrigued by the results of your first experiments, I suggest you refer to two definitive articles which appeared in Modern's predecessor, *Minicam Photography*. In the April, 1949, issue, the use of high contrast film for experimental work was thoroughly discussed; in the February, 1949, issue, control of reticulation by means of acetic acid and temperatures (heat and refrigeration) was explained in detail.—The End



1. STRAIGHT PRINT from a negative made on Super Panchro-Press Type B film in a Graphic View camera. All the following prints are variations obtained when darkroom magic is performed upon negative.



4. TONE ELIMINATION is performed by contactprinting original negative on Kodalith film. Making repeated negatives and positives drops out gray tones, final positive is reticulated in acetic acid.



2. CONTROLLED DISTORTION, produced by "bending" the upper portion of a sheet of enlarging paper away from the lens during projection. Bending the paper towards lens produces the opposite effect.



3. MELTED EMULSION. A duplicate negative was dipped in hot water to produce reticulation. Then soda was added to water to make emulsion slide. Alum shortstop and refrigeration "stopped" action at desired effect.



5. SOLARIZATION of one of the Kodalith negatives which helped produce Figure 4 yields this totally different result. Repeated solarization of negatives and positives can be carried out indefinitely.



6. STEPPED EFFECT, similar to that produced by the Futurism school of painting, was achieved by raising the enlarger head in each of a successive series of exposures made from the same negative used for Figure 5.



7. EXPLODED print also suggests Futuristic style of painting. Made by racking the enlarger in and out of focus while exposing Figure 5 negative. This causes radiating light source to envelop subject with an aura.



8. OUT OF FOCUS in the enlarger, the line negative used in *Figure 5* produces this unique effect. The highlights and shadows of the portrait give the illusion of having been broken into vibrating circles.



11. PORCELAIN EFFECT was obtained by making a duplicate of the original negative on Kodalith film, and dunking it in full strength acetic acid. Eyedropper is used if only small area is to receive reticulation.



12. SILK SCREEN EFFECT, quite similar to Chinese scroll paintings, was obtained by simply contact-printing the reticulated negative used in Figure 11 through a diffusion screen onto Kodalith film.



9. NEGATIVE PRINT. This abstract-like portrait is a variation obtained by making repeated reversals of original negative on Kodalith film, then printing the final result as a negative instead of a positive.



10. WOODCUT EFFECT. This print is the exact reverse of Figure 9. In other words, the Kodalith transparency used for Figure 9 was again contact-printed on Kodalith film to make the transparency used for this print.



13. DOUBLE PRINTING. The image which appears to be outlined in black string is actually the solarized negative from Figure 5, now printed in "sandwich" form together with the negative of a sand dune.



14. PHOTOGRAPH-PHOTOGRAM. A peculiar impression of movement is created in this variation by casting the shadow of a perforated metal screen across the enlarging paper during the projection of negative Number 5.





HEINIGER

PRECISION MEANS FINE
PHOTOGRAPHY TO HIM
by STANLEY H. BROWN

SOMETIME THIS SPRING a man will get off a ship from Europe loaded down with cameras and a strong urge to see wide open spaces and will begin searching for a new home in the U.S. His name is Ernst Albrecht Heiniger and he is tossing over a lucrative photographic business in Switzerland for a chance to take his chances here where few people have ever heard of him.

At 43 Heiniger figures he has had enough of the ups and downs of the mountainous Swiss terrain, and he wants to see country that's spread out flat. But there's another reason for his leaving Switzerland for a while-you could probably call it lingual frustration. Besides being a top Swiss commercial photographer, Heiniger does most of the layout work for the advertisements, books, and catalogs his pictures illustrate. But in Switzerland there are four national languages-German, French, Italian and Romansh-and practically all catalogs and books are printed in all four. Trouble is, though, that each language requires a different amount of type to say the same thing, so once a layout has been made in terms of one language it never quite fits for the other three no matter how hard you try. So after 25 years of trying, Heiniger wants to lay off for a while amid wide open and monolingual spaces.

This two-year interlude will change his scenery, but it probably won't change his photography. For Heiniger that means precision. It's the word he uses most often to describe his technique, and though it is a word used frequently to describe things Swiss—and sometimes not too flatteringly—don't get the idea that there's anything mechanical about what

Heiniger waited a long time for this boat to cut photogenic wake on the Vierwaldstattersee, Switzerland. He used a Rolleiflex, 1/50, f/16, Panatomic-X film.

he turns out. Whether it's for a travel poster, an ad for an oil company, a brochure for the Swiss phone company, or just something that caught his eye on one of his trips through the countryside, it's artistry in film.

Take a single Heiniger photograph as an example of what precision means to him. One day a couple of years ago, he was shooting at Lake Silvaplaner near St. Montz. Lake, trees and shadows were beautiful but the problem was to reproduce this scene, so that anyone seeing a photograph of it would know immediately exactly what it felt like to be there. Heiniger unpacked his favorite camera, a 9x12 cm. (approximately $3\frac{1}{4}x4\frac{1}{4}$ in.) Linhof, set it up on a tripod, and started looking around for the right part of the lake and the proper angle to shoot it from.

After an hour of hauling the camera around, trying various lenses, swinging the front, checking the exposure with his meter, choosing first one filter then another, waiting for the sun to hit from just the right angle, and examining the ground glass a hundred times to make sure that the composition was what he wanted, he finally came away with a picture. It was a long view of lake and trees, shadowed deeply at the horizon, with light, middle and dark tones combining at just the right places to make a perfect composition, in such a way that every change in tone in the landscape was in the picture. Page 49.

"So, what do I need his picture for? I'll go buy a picture post card," you might say. But the point is that Heiniger succeeded in translating the significant aspect of the lake—its peace and quiet—into a photograph. That's just one kind of problem he deals with photographically, but it's typical of his whole approach to photography. The strange part of it is that Heiniger didn't start out with a precision approach at all. If anything, the work he originally did might have given him the idea that it doesn't matter what kind of shot you make, you can fix it later—he started out as a retoucher.

When he was 16, he left his father's farm and came to the big city, to Zürich, to serve as an apprentice retoucher in a printing concern. He stayed with it about three years and then quit before finish-



Simple portrait of girl in wind was taken at fairly high speed to cut blur of hair. Rolleiflex, f/9 at 1/250 sec. Super-XX film.



Horse was photographed with 9x12 cm. Miroflex, equipped with f/6.3 lens, f/9 at 1/250th.

Christmas charity poster assignment resulted in this fine study of mother and daughter taken with 9x12 cm. Linhof equipped with f/4.5 Tessar, f/12, 1/50th.

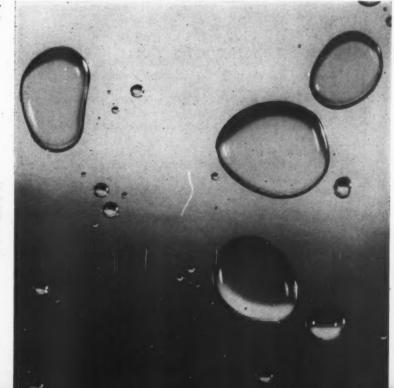




ing his apprenticeship to work on his own as a free-lance retoucher to put himself through a graphic arts school. At about the same time, he bought himself his first camera (he says he doesn't remember what kind it was) and started learning photography on his own. After a while he began to realize that the only enjoyment he was getting out of retouching work was the feeling that "at least I was improving some pretty bad pictures." Finally he decided to put his photographic knowledge to work. He talked some of his retouching customers into letting him retake their pictures and charging them only what the retouching would have cost. At the same time he convinced customers who gave him shots of machines to work on that if they painted their products gray instead of black they would save themselves money since gray photographs better than black and painters cost less than retouchers. That suggestion not only changed the color of a lot of machines in Switzerland—it also got Heiniger out of a business he was growing to dislike into one that he has stayed with enthusiastically ever since.

While Heiniger was becoming a commercial photographer, he was learning about layout, design, and composition at school. When he finished school, he began working as a photographer full time, but he combined his graphic arts background with his camera work so that he could take a projected book, pamphlet, or catalog and carry it through photography, layouts, and typography to the final printing stage. Even then he wasn't content to stay in one field, so he began working with movies. In 1932 he landed a job with the great Russian movie director, Sergei Eisenstein, first as his assistant cameraman and later directing documentaries in Siberian coal mines. He returned to Switzerland in 1933 to add movie-making to the string of services he could offer his clients. But the movie work did more than that for him, he says. It taught him the value of precision planning in advance of shooting. "In movie-making," he says, "there's no chance to crop and retouch after you've shot. Everything has to be thought out carefully and completely before you ever lay a finger on the shutter

Nude on beach was photographed with Rollei, f/12, 1/100.



Drops of water were recorded on a greased chromium sheet. Surface is slightly curved, giving a dramatic effect of light and shade. Taken with 13x18 cm. view camera, Heliar f/4.5 lens, f/48 at 6 sec. Agfa Isopan Plate.



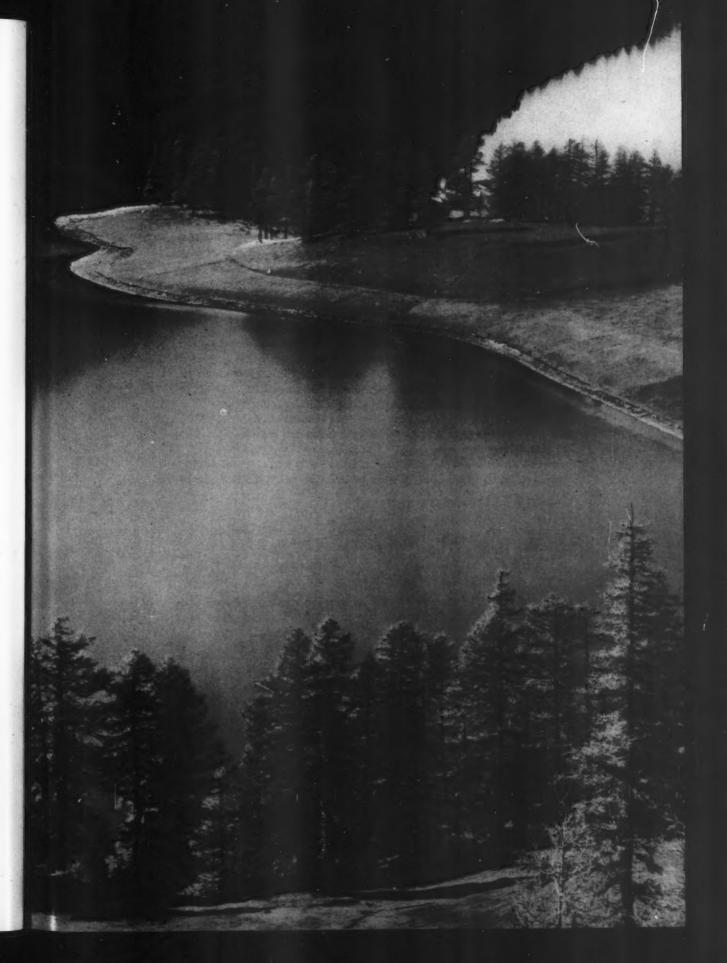
Bicycle riders were photographed in late afternoon in Zürich with Leica. Elmar lens, Exposure: f/11, 1/100th.

Heiniger used a light red filter to produce strong contrast in this landscape taken near St. Moritz. Linhof equipped with f/7.7 Zeiss Double Protar lens, f/36 at 2 sec. on Plus-X.

release. I carried this experience over to my still photography, and now, if I have time, I plan every detail of lighting and composition in advance, so that I rarely have to do any major cropping or retouching after shooting. I've developed a genuine dislike of the whole idea of retouching now and only do it when it is absolutely necessary for reproduction purposes or some other similar reason."

So now you ask, "How can his stuff have any spontaneity if it's so completely blueprinted in advance?" But it does. Take another case study of one of his shots. The assignment was a moun-

advance?" But it does. Take another case study of one of his shots. The assignment was a mountain climber in action. It sounds as if the easiest way would be to take a Leica or a Contax, set the shutter at a high speed, stand on some slope at a point where a lot of climbers pass, and keep shooting till you think you have what you want. Then go back to your lab with your fingers crossed. But not Heiniger. He planned the shot from start to finish before he ever used a piece of film. He figured a good kind of action shot would be a jump across a crevasse. So he found a likely one that his man could jump without getting killed. Then he set up his camera—again the Linhof on a tripod—and began jockeying for the best position to shoot from. He had the man make a couple of practice jumps to make sure he wouldn't be leaping out of the picture. But he still wasn't ready to go. In order to make the kind of composition he wanted, he needed a cloud over the jumper's head. But it was a clear day with only a couple of clouds off on the horizon, so they waited until one moved into the right position. Then the jumper jumped, and the photographer photographed. "If the cloud hadn't come by before the sun went down, I would have probably double-printed one in from some other negative," he said of the incident, but he added, "I don't like to do that kind of trickery unless (Continued on page 94)



I like to shoot outdoor winter portraits because most photographers try to go south and work during the few bitter months. I can't say that I blame them-but they do leave the winter field wide open for stay-at-homes like me. Shooting portraits on a crisp winter day just after a snow can be great fun since everything is a reflector. You don't have to lug tinfoil flats to fill shadows or bring along elaborate flash equipment, though I sometimes do use one flash bulb for a fill-in. I've found that shooting portraits in places hidden from direct sunlight is an excellent way to capture fine effects, like that to the right, where the girl was in shadow. There are some warnings, however: That beautiful snow kicking all the extra light around is just too much for some models. They cannot pose without squinting, even for a split second. I always check with my model to make sure she isn't an extreme squinter. In some cases, a model can turn in a wide-eyed relaxed expression for just a moment—long enough to trip the shutter; then there's a short wait while the tears are wiped away. Plan so that your model doesn't have to look directly into the light. Check your exposure even more carefully than usual. The intensity of the light can fool even the most experienced photographer, Don't shoot when it's too cold, Unless your shutter has been winterized, it may become sticky. And your model will look as unhappy and as uncomfortable as she feels. If you keep these hints in mind, you'll have a lot of fun. Winter is the time to find rosy cheeks, lively faces and bright sports clothes. And that's just made to order for the camera loaded with color film. The photograph of the girl in a parka, right, was taken about 10 A.M. on a bright day. The subject was in shadow. All the brightness necessary was supplied by the fresh fall of snow. Taken with a 4x5 Crown Graphic, f/11 at 1/50th on Daylight Ektachrome. The cover shot, below left, was taken with one blue flash for a fill-in. I used a 4x5 Speed Graphic equipped with a 135mm Graflex Optar lens. Exposure: f/8.5 at 1/100th.—Ozzie Sweet

TRY COLOR PORTRAITS



OUTDOORS





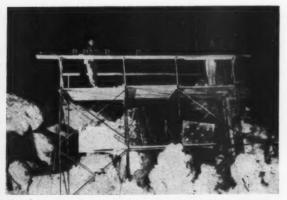
HOW THEY SHOT THE

WORLD'S BIGGEST FLASH PICTURE

HAVING TROUBLE with a few flashbulbs in your own home? What would you do if you were handed several thousand, and told to photograph an area a third of a mile long? How many bulbs would you use? Where would you place them? And just how much power would you need so all the bulbs would flash together when you threw the switch? All of these problems faced technicians before they fired 2,400 No. 2 Sylvania bulbs in the Big Room of Carlsbad Caverns, last August, to set a new world's record for multiple flashbulb photography. You are looking at the result, taken with an 8 x 10 Eastman View Camera at f/22—one of 19 cameras which photographed the same scene by open flash.

And what a flash it was! Over 148 million lumen seconds of light were unleashed beneath the New Mexico desert to surpass by 28 2/3 millions the previous record-holder—a color shot of Levittown, N. Y.—and produce thirty times more light than technicians set off when they photographed New York's Metropolitan Opera House.

The first step toward this engineering feat (in which only two bulbs failed) was a letter from Tex Helm, long-time photographer of the caverns, to Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., outlining what he wanted to do. When Sylvania agreed to supply two or three thousand bulbs and technical assistance, planning finally got under way



Each of the 19 cameras on this 15-foot high platform photographed the same view of the Big Room in Carlsbad Caverns, N. .d., which you see at left. The distance between them and the furthest point in the picture is 1800 ft.

to solve problems which rarely face most photographers.

High on the list of questions was: How many bulbs, for what camera speed and stop? To answer this, R. B. Martenson, the Sylvania engineer who had masterminded the color shot of Levittown and Joe Costa's opera house picture, pulled out pencil and paper and went to work. He knew from previous experience that if a camera was set at f/16 and open flash with Ektachrome, Type B film, two lumen seconds of light would be needed to cover each square foot of surface for a low lighting effect. But the 55 million square feet had no flat surfaces, because the entire area was broken up by small and large rock formations. Certainly the over-all reflection would be lower than the norm called for by his formula-but how much lower? To figure all this out, Martenson made a series of estimates, and added more light to the 2 to 1 ratio. And once he had the final figure of 148.8 million lumen seconds of light, it was a simple matter to divide by 62,000 (the lumen seconds produced by one No. 2 bulb) - and get the answer within one stop.

From now on "Project Flash" swung into long-distance high gear. Helm had a lighting plan (which you can see if you turn to page 112), and ideas for two different kinds of reflectors. Martenson in New York okayed these, and worked out a wiring plan suitable for the reflectors and the available power. Then line foreman A. C. Wright, of Southwestern Public Service Company, went to work on the electrical details.

Offers of equipment, materials and labor rolled in from Carlsbad residents and firms, as well as from Eastman Kodak Co., Graflex, Inc., and others. But still there were problems galore. Imagine having just 16 hoursfrom 4 P.M. to 8 A.M., when the Caverns were closed to visitors-to take this shot. Sixteen short hours to transport all the material, including three heavy-duty transformers weighing a ton, 750 feet down into the Caverns and then half a mile to the Big Room-set up the shot-photograph the room-and remove all equipment. And as if that wasn't enough-early on the morning of August 18, with starting time only hours away-nobody could locate the flashbulbs. Where were they? Why, in Amarillo, Texas, about 300 miles away. So technicians had the bulbs rushed to the scene by private car-and they arrived just in time.

At 4 P.M., with the bulbs now on hand, volunteer crews went to work to beat the (Continued on page 112)





ENLARGING FROM A TO Z

by F. F. PYPE

FIRST OF A SERIES

HAVE YOU EVER looked at a fine print of your own making and had the wonderfully satisfying thrill of knowing that you did it all yourself? If not, if you've never made an enlargement, you're missing the greatest fun of photography. Yet, enlarging is easy, if you get the right start at it. This article, with the rest of the series, will cover every aspect of fine print making.

The enlarger is the only major investment. It pays to get a good (not necessarily expensive) one, and in a future article enlargers will be discussed at length. You also need: three trays, 8 x 10 in., two alike, the third different for identification, and one 11 x 14 tray (stainless steel, enamel, hard rubber are all practical); a sturdy easel (fixed size, inexpensive Speed-Ez-Els are shown but there are many adjustable easels); a safelight with Wratten OA (yellow-green) filter and 10-watt bulb; plastic funnel; quart glass graduate and stirring rod; 12 plastic clothespins; a tray thermometer; Kodak Projection Print Scale; two pair of print tongs of different colors; package of any standard make 8 x 10 enlarging paper (contrast grade No. 2, normal, or equivalent); quart of paper developer stock solution; pint of 28 percent acetic acid; quart of hypo stock solution (not the quick fix type). These are basic items for beginner or expert; none is expensive. Except for paper and chemicals they will serve many years. Now turn the page, see how easily these materials will make your first or thousandth print.



ENLARGING FROM A TO Z: PART I

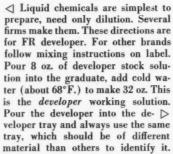


LAY OUT THE EQUIPMENT





MIX ENOUGH CHEMICALS





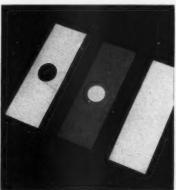
Rinse out the graduate thoroughly and pour in 2 oz. of 28% acetic acid. Fill the graduate with cold water to make 32 oz. of shortstop solution. Pour this into the tray next to the developer tray. Rinse the graduate. Shortstop arrests development of the print, neutralizes developer which is carried over in the print paper. Pour 8 oz. of fixer stock solution > into the graduate, add cold water to make 32 oz. and pour it into the remaining tray. This is the fixer, which is commonly called hypo. It fixes the image on the print, makes it permanent, insensitive to light.

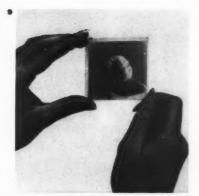


IS YOUR SAFELIGHT SAFE?



✓ Is your darkroom dark enough, your safelight safe? Close the door, turn on the safelight. Put a coin on a small strip of enlarging paper, near right, on the table near the developer tray, leave it for 3 min. Then drop the paper in the developer, agitate it for 2 min., rinse for 15 sec. in shortstop, put it in the hypo, turn on room light. Paper should be clear white, far right, light is leaking in, safelight is unsafe or too close.



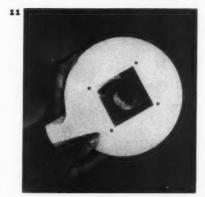


PICK A GOOD NEGATIVE

Pick out the negative to be enlarged. Handle it only by the edges; don't put your fingers on the negative. Negative should be sharp, full of detail, moderately contrasty.

Place the negative in the negative carrier of the enlarger, shiny side up, facing the enlarger light source. The dull (emulsion) side of the negative faces the enlarger lens. Negative carriers are of various designs and shapes. They all have the same purpose, to hold the negative flat and in the correct position in the enlarger.





Place the loaded negative carrier > in the enlarger, remembering steps 10 & 11 and checking negative.





GET IT SHARPLY FOCUSED

☐ Turn on the enlarger and make the projected image sharp by turning the focusing knob of the enlarger. Pick out a sharply defined, contrasty area in the negative and use it to judge the sharpness of your focusing.

While focusing mechanisms may > vary with enlargers of different makes, the principle is the same: they are focused by raising or lowering the enlarger's lens, adjusting the distance between the lens and negative.



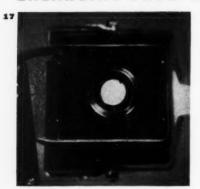


For people who have trouble getting sharp focus, some enlargers have built-in focusing targets; there are also enlargers with automatic focusing devices, but these are considerably more expensive than manually focused enlargers.

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ENLARGING FROM A TO Z: PART I



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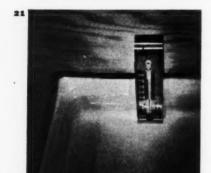
To change the size of the projected image, the enlarger is moved
up or down on its post. Although
some enlargers have spring counterweights, most do not. Before loosening lock knob grasp enlarger firmly.



BIG OR LITTLE PRINT?

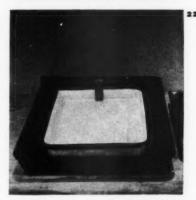
✓ With the enlarger as far down as it will go, the projected image will be small; the higher the enlarger goes the bigger the image. Sometimes, to make giant prints, enlargers are turned or tilted to project the image on the floor or nearby wall. This gives some idea of the com- parative sizes of the images projected when the enlarger is in the two positions shown in the picture at left.

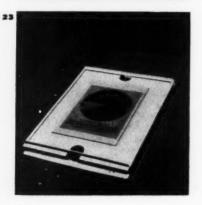




CONTROL THE TEMPERATURE

○ Check the temperature of the developer. There are little thermometers designed to clip over the tray edge. Although the recommended work- ing temperature is 68°F. developer can be used safely between 65°F. and 75°F. Should it be too hot or cold, temperature can be controlled by putting the developer tray into an 11 x 14 tray of water, adding hot water or ice cubes to the contents of the bigger tray, not to the developer itself.





FIRST MAKE A TESTSTRIP











When the one minute exposure is complete take the piece of enlarging paper (called a teststrip) from under the Print Scale and submerge it in developer (24). Agitate with developer tongs for exactly 2 minutes. After two minutes in the developer transfer the teststrip into the shortstop tray, being careful not to get any shortstop on the developer tongs. With the second pair of tongs submerge the teststrip in the shortstop and agitate it for about 15 seconds. Transfer the teststrip into the hypo > and swish it around a bit. Check to make sure that no enlarging paper has been left out in the open. After 30 seconds in the hypo for the teststrip, turn on the white room light and carefully inspect the teststrip.

JUDGE THE TESTSTRIP

 Notice that each segment of the Print Scale and the teststrip has a number on it. One of these numbers indicates the correct exposure in seconds for the print. Pick out the segment which appears to be best exposed. If one segment appears too light and the next one too dark, choose an exposure between these two. If all segments are too dark, close down the enlarger lens one more stop, try again. If all segments are too light, try a two minute teststrip exposure and for your final print double the exposure indicated on the teststrip segment.

THEN MAKE THE PRINT

Having established the correct exposure, turn off the room light, slide a full sheet of paper into easel (28).

☐ Turn on the enlarger for the correct exposure time; avoid vibration. After exposure, quickly submerge ▷ the enlarging paper in the developer (sliding it in edge first is best), agitate it with the tongs for 2 minutes. An image will start to come up in about 30-45 seconds. Don't pull the print out prematurely.

After 2 minutes in the developer pick up the print by one corner with the tongs, hold it above the developer tray to drain for about 10 seconds.

Drop the print into the shortstop, being careful not to get shortstop onto the developer tongs. With the other tongs swish the print around in the shortstop for about 15 seconds.

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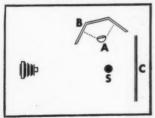




PERSONALIZE YOUR PORTRAITS

by HERMAN LEONARD

Donald O'Connor is usually portrayed on the screen as a bumbling sort of guy who is always in trouble as a result of his own misdoings. In real life, according to photographer Herman Leonard, O'Connor is the exact opposite. Leonard found him a mature, serious-minded person as well as one of the most talented actors he has ever photographed. After becoming acquainted, Leonard and O'Connor decided that they both wanted a portrait that would depict the latter's serious side rather than the comedy character so well known to the public. This picture was made with a 5 x 7 Ansco view camera while they were discussing the aesthetics of acting. Leonard simulated daylight by using a sealed-beam electronic



flash unit (A) to reflect light off a 7-foot folding screen (B) covered with crumpled tinfoil. The background (C) was gray. Exposure on Super-XX was made at f/11.

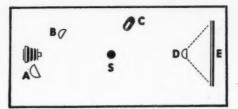
THE DIFFERENCE between an ordinary portrait and a fine portrait is a matter of interpretation. The first merely reflects the physical likeness of a subject; the latter goes beyond that to interpret a facet of the subject's personality. In short, a fine portrait invariably gives some insight into what makes a subject tick.

How does one go about getting a subject to project a personality trait that can be captured on film? I believe in doing preliminary spade work ahead of a shooting appointment. The more I can learn about a subject's personal tastes, habits, hobbies, and viewpoints, the easier it will be for me to steer our conversation into channels that intrigue him. Once a subject is genuinely interested in a discussion, his expressions become animated and his uneasiness dissolves.

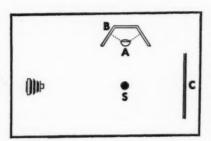
I usually start a sitting with a twin-lens reflex camera, snapping a roll or two of film while waiting for the conversation to create a mood or attitude that is especially characteristic of the subject. By the time I am ready to switch to a 5 x 7 view camera, my subject is no longer distracted by the minor changes I make in the lighting set-ups.

While the naturalness and ease of manner I like to emphasize in a portrait are often best achieved by use of simulated daylight (described in the captions) I also use floods and spotlights when the mood of a picture seems to call for them. The important thing, in my opinion, is not so much the type of lights one uses. It is how he uses them to depict a personality trait which has been uncovered as the result of sincerity—plus a deeprooted, mutual interest in the sitting.

Lena Horne, opposite, was in an effervescent mood the day she appeared at Leonard's studio for this portrait. In keeping with her mood, he used a high-key form of lighting supplied by a 1,000-watt diffused flood (A), a 500-watt fill light (B), and a 750-watt spotlight (D). The white background is lighted by a 500-watt flood con-



is lighted by a 500-watt flood concealed from the camera by Miss Horne's body. All of Leonard's 5 x 7 view camera exposures are made on Super-XX. Exposure for this shot: 1/10 at f/11 with a 14-in. lens.

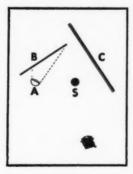


Jane Russell, below, was discussing religion when this picture was made. "Miss Russell," says Leonard, "is a sensitive and conscientious person, charming in manner and possessing a sparkle that isn't always apparent on the screen. I wanted to portray this charm clearly and honestly." Light from an electronic flash unit (A) was again bounced off a foil-covered folding screen (B) to simulate soft daylight. The background (C) was black paper. The view camera negative was exposed with a diaphragm opening of f/11.



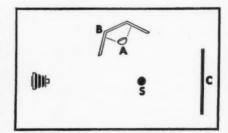






Joan Gray, above, looks as though she was photographed by natural light streaming through a window. Actually, the light source was an electronic flash tube (A) in a sealed-beam reflector. A square of tinfoil-covered cardboard (B) and the white wall (C) served to "bounce" the light back upon her head and shoulders. A corner of the tinfoil reflector can be seen behind Miss Gray's head; the diagonal gray band is a shadow cast on the wall by the tinfoil reflector. Photographer Leonard used a Rolleiflex for this shot, Super-XX film, and a diaphragm opening of f/3.5. He develops roll film in Microdol, dunks cut film in D-76, and develops by inspection for about two-thirds the recommended time. "This may not be according to Hoyle," says Leonard, "but I like the results." He tries to avoid retouching.

Paul Stevens, opposite, was photographed with much the same lighting arrangement used for the portrait of Jane Russell. Many of Leonard's portraits reflect what he learned during the six months he worked with Yousuf Karsh. "Mr. Karsh," he says, "is a master technician. More than that, he is a master at drawing out the true personalities of the people he photographs. I have had to take pains to develop my own viewpoint, influenced partially, but not completely, by Mr. Karsh's techniques."





H. Fox Talbot, Esq.

AN AUTHORITATIVE BIOGRAPHY OF THE GREAT ENGLISH PHOTOGRAPHIC INVENTOR, SECOND PART, by BEAUMONT NEWHALL

For twelve years, between 1839 and 1851, there were two ways of making photographs. The daguerreotype process, invented by Louis Jacques Mandé Daguerre, gave pictures of remarkable brilliance, clarity and definition on metal plates. Each picture, like a jewel, was treasured in a velvet-lined case. The talbotype process, invented by William Henry Fox Talbot of Lacock Abbey, England, without knowledge of Daguerre's work, was a two-step technique. A paper negative was made in a camera (or by contact, putting objects on sensitized paper in sunlight). Positives from these negatives were made by contact printing them in sunlight. Editions of any number could be made from the negative. Since they were on paper, they could be pasted in books.

The chief value of Talbot's process was first demonstrated in his book, *The Pencil of Nature*, which he began to publish by instalments in 1844. In all, twenty-four actual photographs appeared, each chosen to show the capabilities and characteristics of his technique. Thus Plate III, a still life of rare chinaware (page 67), was submitted as an example of how a collector could

make a pictorial inventory of his treasures. Talbot pointed out, in describing Plate X, The Haystack (below), that his process would record an amount of detail "which no artist would take the trouble to copy faithfully from nature," and elsewhere he marvels that things can be seen in the picture which had not been noticed at the time of exposure. People appear in only one photograph, The Ladder (below). It was still difficult, in 1844, to take portraits because of the long exposure required. But Talbot wrote that "when a group of persons has been artistically arranged, and trained by a little practice to maintain an absolute immobility for a few seconds of time, very delightful pictures are easily obtained. Talbot not only illustrated many uses of photography within the range of his medium, but he prophesied what might be done with a more perfect technique. He had noticed that his paper was strongly sensitive to the invisible rays of the spectrum, and reasoned that, if ultra-violet rays were admitted to a dark room, pictures could be taken of people inside, shrouded in darkness, without their knowledge. "Alas!" he wrote, "that this speculation is



People appear in only one picture in Talbot's *The Pencil of Nature*, "The Ladder," because it was quite difficult in 1844 to pose subjects for the necessary long exposures.



Talbot pointed out describing "The Haystack" in *The Pencil of Nature* that his process would record an amount of detail "no artist would take the trouble to copy faithfully."

somewhat too refined to be introduced with effect into a modern novel or romance; for what a denouement we should have, if we could suppose the secrets of the darkened chamber to be revealed by the testimony of the

imprinted paper."

The negatives of The Pencil of Nature were made by an improved technique which Talbot invented in the fall of 1840 and which he named the calotype. Instead of allowing the sensitive paper to remain exposed to light inside the camera until a visible image was formed, he found that he could develop the invisible, latent image formed by a very much shorter exposure. To make calotype paper, he first treated good quality writing paper with successive solutions of silver nitrate and potassium iodide. This he could do by daylight. He then made a mixture of silver nitrate, acetic acid, and gallic acid, which he called "gallo-nitrate of silver." Immediately before exposure the iodized paper was brushed with this solution. Exposure was shorter—a building in direct sunlight, for example, required only a minute with a lens working at the equivalent of stop f/15. The image was developed with the gallo-nitrate of silver used for sensitizing. It was fixed with hot hypo and washed.

Talbot patented the calotype process in 1841. His action in doing so led to a surprising storm of protest which even reached moral and ethical grounds.

Talbot had already patented three highly ingenious electric motors. In taking out a patent for his photographic invention he was following a well established practice. The patent did not cover the basic invention of photogenic drawing, which, in the interests of science, he had openly published with no restrictions of any kind. For it he had neither asked for, nor been given, any



Portrait of Talbot made in 1864. Geo. Eastman House col.



A still life of rare chinaware in *The Pencil of Nature* was submitted as an example of how a collector could make a pictorial inventory of his entire collection quite easily.

recompense. On the other hand, Daguerre had been handsomely rewarded by the French Government with a
pension for life. Although Arago had said that France
was proud to present the daguerreotype technique as a free
gift to the entire world, Englishmen bitterly discovered
that Daguerre had patented the "free gift" in England.
A Frenchman resident in London, Antoine Claudet, had
the monopoly. There were other patents, including one
from America, of a reflecting camera. By 1841 photography was a prosperous business, and fortunes were being
made. Talbot, who had spent his time, his talents, and a
large part of his fortune improving photography, logically
took recourse in the machinery set up for the very purpose of protecting inventors and insuring them some
reward for their work: the patent laws.

Although Talbot advertised that a license could be obtained for as little as a guinea, and even at no cost if a certain amount of material were purchased from his establishment, there was a growing resentment on the part of photographers to the patent. The reason was not the economics. Photography had already become such an important and vital means of communication that it did not seem fitting that it should be patented like a mechanical device. English (Continued on page 108)

SIMPLE TECHNIQUES FOR COLOR STILL LIFES

by ANTHONY GUYTHER

Ever since photography traded in the lens cap for a shutter and the slow glass plate for high speed pan film, the still life has lived in partial eclipse save as commercial ad illustrations and dim, misty pictorials. The photographer has become preoccupied with taking a slim second of moving life and freezing it for posterity.

Actually, this turn of events has done a great disservice to the still life. As a teacher of depth of field, lighting composition, proportion and color combination, the color still life has no peer. Yet it serves not only as the means to photography but as the end as well. Look through art museums. Still life paintings abound. Cézanne, for one, spent nearly a lifetime perfecting his still life technique. And he wasn't painting still lifes just for practice as any Cézanne still life price tag will bear witness.

What then of the photographic still life? Here is your opportunity to prove and improve your photography. No chance snapshot possibilities here. It's your own personal composition, lighting and color combinations.

Let's discuss the purely mechanical aspects of taking still lifes in color before we get to the artistic. Any camera can be used. Some, of course, are more suitable than others. The best color materials—those which will yield the finest tonal values and give you the most satisfaction—are transparency type films. These, Kodachrome, Ansco Color or Ektachrome, may be had in one of the following sizes: 35mm, Bantam, 120 or in cut film. If you combine one of these sizes with a camera type employing a ground glass for

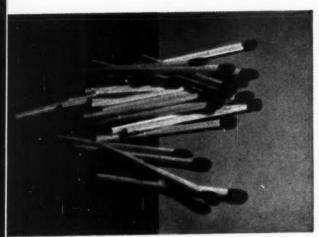
focusing you have an ideal instrument. Your ground glass will show you exact focus, changes in lighting and framing. It will also show depth of field—if you view through the taking lens such as in a single lens reflex or a cut film camera.

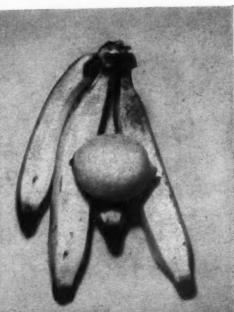
Most conventional hand cameras focus no closer than three or four feet without accessory lenses or extension tubes. These may be purchased in different lens strengths and different tube lengths, depending on the subject-to-camera distance at which you wish to work. A close-up lens or extension tube which will allow work at a distance of two feet will be most useful. With all but single lens reflex cameras and view cameras you will have the problem of parallax-the difference between what your camera's taking lens sees and what your finder shows you. The closer you get to your subject, the greater this difference becomes. With twin-lens reflex cameras accessory lenses to fit the top viewing lens will correct the parallax. With other cameras, a roll of black-and-white film run through your camera at a distance of two feet from a newspaper tacked on a wall will tell you just how much difference exists between your lens and finder. If your camera has a removable back, you can accomplish the same thing by taping a piece of ground glass

A group of old bottles from a closet and a grapefruit from the kitchen made the subject material. Light streaming through a window was the illumination. My Kodak Reflex was fitted with Ednalite Paralenses which acted as close-up lenses and provided parallax correction. Anseo Color was used. Exposure: f/11 at 1/50.>









over the film plane and viewing the newspaper or still life with the shutter held on bulb or time. You will then know how much to compensate for parallax.

Numerous light sources exist for still-life color photography. But it is not our purpose here to get involved with the many filters necessary for use with the different films when exposed by electronic flash, flash bulbs, fluorescents, and the like.

To simplify our operation, let's deal only with daylight or with No. 1 or 2 Photofloods—all you really need. The table below should simplify any filter questions you may have. Now to our subject material.

When I decided to shoot still lifes and wondered what to use for models and backgrounds, I first looked around the house. A collection of colored glass bottles seemed good subject material. Some fruit could be thrown in for bright color and for shape. A brief look around your own home will produce similar objects.

Next, purchase from a stationery or art store large sheets of colored paper for backgrounds. Keep in mind your subject material and try to pick paper colors that will harmonize with and enhance it.

This paper can be used in a number of ways. It may act as a vertical backdrop when tacked to a wall or other support, as a floor for your subjects to be placed upon or as both. The last can be accomplished by taking a longish piece and tacking one end down to a table. Fasten the other end to a vertical support. This is called a seamless background and is used by a great many photographers when they

 want a continuous solid color floor and background. Now set up the camera on a tripod near the win-

Now set up the camera on a tripod near the window. The distance to the table should be about two feet. Place the objects to be photographed on the colored material and try your hand at arranging.

I find it best to work fast in setting up compositions. If I spend about one minute, it's average time. When it takes longer than two or three minutes, I forget about it and get different props so that an unnatural, forced composition doesn't result. To shoot twelve different color shots with my Kodak Reflex takes me about an hour.

Once you have the hang of natural light still lifes and can operate your close-up attachments with accuracy, you are ready to tackle artificial light. I prefer using one flood in a reflector, moving it around my subject after setting up the composition to see the changes in lighting and where the shadows fall. A single light usually casts fairly heavy shadows as in my fruit arrangement photograph (top, page 70). I don't mind such shadows since I feel they give my photographs depth.

Now for a few loose ends. I don't see how you can deal with this still life problem without an exposure meter. And then a careful reading is necessary. Remember to read only the objects if using a reflecting light meter. Reading the background and subject together, particularly if the background occupies a good deal of the picture, can give you some badly exposed results. Also, when shooting with natural light, a Skylight filter will give your still life more warmth.

In any case, don't become discouraged after making one or two still lifes. Keep at it and you'll be surprised how your acquired knowledge of composition and color will help you in all your other picture taking.—THE END

SOMETIMES YOU NEED A FILTER: THIS TELLS WHICH AND WHEN

Type of Film	Clear daylight through window	Overcast day- light through window	Photoflood lamps
Ansco Color Daylight	No filter	U.V. 15	Conversion No. 10
Ansco Color Tungsten	Conversion No. 11		U.V. 15
Ektachrome, Kodachrome, Daylight types	No filter	Skylight No. 1A	No. 80
Ektachrome Type B	No. 85B	No. 85B	No. 81A
Kodachrome Type A	No. 85	No. 85	No filter
Kodacolor Daylight Type	No filter	No filter	Not Recommended
Kodacolor Type A	No. 85	No. 85	No filter





problems in stereo portraits

by BART BROOKS Dir., Stereo-Graphic Labs. Inc.

PORTRAITURE IN STEREO presents a number of advantages over portraiture in any other medium, graphic or photographic. A stereo portrait, well made, is incomparable, except to the living, breathing original.

Photographers familiar with planar portraiture will find similarities in stereo, as well as a freedom from many of the conventional restrictions. The stereo users who have had no previous experience in portrait-making must review a few of the basic facts that are but the beginning of the planar portraitist's knowledge.

Lighting arrangements must be kept simple. For naturalness the greatest portraitists in painting and photography employ one predominant light, a "key" light, which seems to come from a natural and recognizable source—the sun, a candle, a ceiling fixture, a window. This key light, however, does not belong at the camera, glaring from eye level into the face of the subject. Such a light does not capture the facial contours familiar to us.

To demonstrate this, arrange a cooperative model in a comfortable position, with nearby room lights off. Using a 60-watt bulb (a photoflood is too strong for comfort) play the light on the features of your model from about six feet away, at eye level, and from directly in front. Rotate it slowly around the model a full 90 degrees to either side of center position. Observe from the camera viewpoint how the width of the face is exaggerated by the flat front light and how the face becomes more slender as the light is moved towards the side.

Now repeat the experiment with the light higher and then lower than model's eye level. Notice how low front light imparts a sinister, witch-like aspect to the prettiest model. Notice, too, that the light placed above eye level and 45 degrees to one side of center is usually the most "natural" and flattering. How high should the light be? Watch the shadow cast by the nose. It should seldom be allowed to cut across the upper lip. Even in stereo, the nose can be made to appear longer or shorter, flatter or thinner, as you move the key light.

For portraiture with a single light, the subject should be located relatively near the background if you wish to light the background as well. A reflector, used as a fill-in, will bounce light from the single bulb into the shadowy side of the subject's face and onto the background. This reflector may be made of crinkled aluminum foil, rubber-cemented to a heavy mount board. Smooth foil would cast hot spots. A smooth white cardboard, though reflecting less light, will do also. Notice that the reflector must be located quite close to the subject for desirable light balance (left photo, page 72).

In making portraits with two lights, after the position of the key light has been selected, a secondary or fill-in light is used to balance the shadowy side of the subject. The secondary light should be about half the intensity of the key light. Place the fill-in light a greater distance from the subject than the key light, or use a smaller output bulb. All these fundamentals apply equally to flash and tungsten light problems. (Continued on page 116)



A solid color background, right, should be used whenever you make a close stereo portrait. There should be ample space at both the right and left edges of the frame. A patterned background, in this case, would produce severe eyestrain if the viewer attempted to see both subject and background satisfactorily. Below: The medium closeup portrait is easier to make. Here a patterned or textured background enhances the slide and can be viewed easily without eyestrain. The shadow, while not advisable in planar portraiture, increases the feeling of depth since it falls well behind the subject. This stereo pair was made with one flash.











In order to see double views in stereo, place piece of cardboard on white line at right angles to magazine. Place nose just above cardboard, so each eye sees one view. Images will fuse into one, which, when sharp, will be in stereo. Make sure you have plenty of light.

the Camera Clubs

by MABEL SCACHERI

For some reason unknown to me, January and February are usually the two best months in any camera club's year. During these months the attendance is the best, the pix turned in at the monthly contests the finest, the speakers the most eloquent, the new members the most numerous.

Besides, there are usually some photographic items left over from the holidays; presents from your loving relatives which made you fans get off those great big "just-what-I-wanted" lies. From this state of affairs the annual Auction Night has evolved in many clubs. The members bring in all sorts of photographic equipment, and the club wit presides as auctioneer. Everybody gets a good laugh, and you may even get a piece of equipment which you don't think is a turkey, although the other fellow did. Of course, the affair can be a Swap Night, and you can go back to the primitive barter method if you don't have a suitable auctioneer.

Since the club is likely to be at its peppiest this month, it is a good time to campaign a bit for new members. Those you can always use, since people do move away or get too involved in personal problems to continue in the club. It is better to keep drawing in new members than to let the club thin out until you can hardly keep going before you start to build it up again.

Instead of having a vague visitors-

always-welcome policy, why not arrange for a bang-up program—something not technical with a lot of good pix around for everyone to enjoy—and label it a Guest Night. Get your local paper to run a story about it. When such affairs are managed right, there are always a number of guests who want to join up.

With attendance at its best in January, that makes it a good month for voting on any changes in rules or policy. Some clubs find they have too many rules-the doings are too stiff and businesslike. Others discover they are not half businesslike enough. Complicated situations can be avoided if, at the start, the club insists on having a separate checking account at the bank, in the name of the club, with checks for dues made payable to the club and not to the individual "spark plug" fellow. Also, club equipment should have the name of the club lettered on in paint. Club records should include the serial numbers on club equipment and the sales slip from the store where it was bought. This is just sound business policy and no officer need feel there are any implications of personal mistrust.

Then, too, there are matters of policy in regard to monthly contests or annual shows. You may have a rule that no one member can win more than one prize, or score, in a contest. Many clubs tell me they have to have this

rule or a few members walk off with all the honors each month, and this discourages the others. Judges, on the other hand, are somewhat irked if, after picking the winners, they are teld, "Sorry, but you have to choose another print. You have two by the same maker."

It should be possible to put some identifying mark on the corner of each print entered by the same maker, so that judges may know, without learning the maker's name, which set of pix are ineligible for more than one prize. Personally, I think if prints are entered in three categories, Beginners, Advanced, and Salon, for instance, then it should be a free-for-all in each class. and let the best man win, even if he makes a clean sweep. The losers can pull up their socks and do better work if they want to keep Charley Champion from getting all the prizes. But it's up to each club. You know your members and how they react.

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January might also be a good time to start a club library. It always surprises me to learn how few good books on photography the shutterbugs read. You might ask generous club members to contribute books, and then buy one book a month out of club funds. Or, if a book is expensive, spread the price of it out over three months. Such books as "The Art and Technique of Color Photography," produced by Condé Nast, and "The Decisive Moment" by Henri Cartier-Bresson (reviewed in the December issue of MODERN, page 108) are among the more expensive and also the more worth while. When the bat-eyed beginner moans. "I don't know what kind of pictures you MEAN," whip out a book and show him just what you do mean.

I regret to state that it is very desirable to keep the library in a locked cabinet, with only the librarian having the key and charging out each book by having the member sign for it. People are notoriously remiss about book-returning. Two weeks should be the time limit, so the other fellow gets a chance to use them.

Many of the larger stores get out catalogues of merchandise which would be handy for the club to have, if only to show beginners the difference between various brands, and make them familiar with technical terms and trade names. You might even keep a file of manufacturers' pamphlets, if you have that kind of a club secretary. Camera fans suffer more mental anguish over the selection of equipment than they ever do over selection of good picture material!

January might also be a good time for a club debate on some nice hot controversial subject, such as Realistic vs. Pictorial Photography. I'd be the last one to say that such a debate would ever settle anything or convince anybody but it might start people to thinking and re-examining values. It would also be a change of pace from the routine talks and print judging. Don't let debate be all words and gestures. Make each side bring in pictures to illustrate every point.—The end



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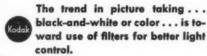
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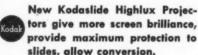
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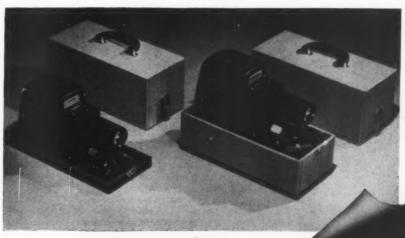


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D_R. IRVING ELLIS is an expert in a special field—the winning of photographic contest prizes. In the past twenty years or so, he has won more than seventy-five important awards. He won his first award in 1929, with a box-camera snapshot. In 1930, he took one of the top prizes in an international contest sponsored by the Eastman Kodak Company. He has won automobiles, watches, typewriters, cash—and an exceptional knowledge of the qualities a print must have in order to win.

These qualities, Dr. Ellis feels, are human interest; good lighting; and crisp, sparkling print quality. He is a life member of several camera

clubs, and a frequent salon judge—and he finds the three basic elements of picture success are just as valid in the formal salon as in the rough-and-tumble of a prize contest.

For many years, Dr. Ellis made all his salon prints on Kodak Opal Paper, and his contest prints on glossy Kodabromide F. Now, his enthusiasm goes to Kodak Medalist Paper. "I am very much impressed," he writes. "The first thing I noticed was Medalist's warmth, richness, and high speed, plus the crispness of a paper like Kodabromide . . . I can tell you right now Kodak Medalist is my No. 1 choice."



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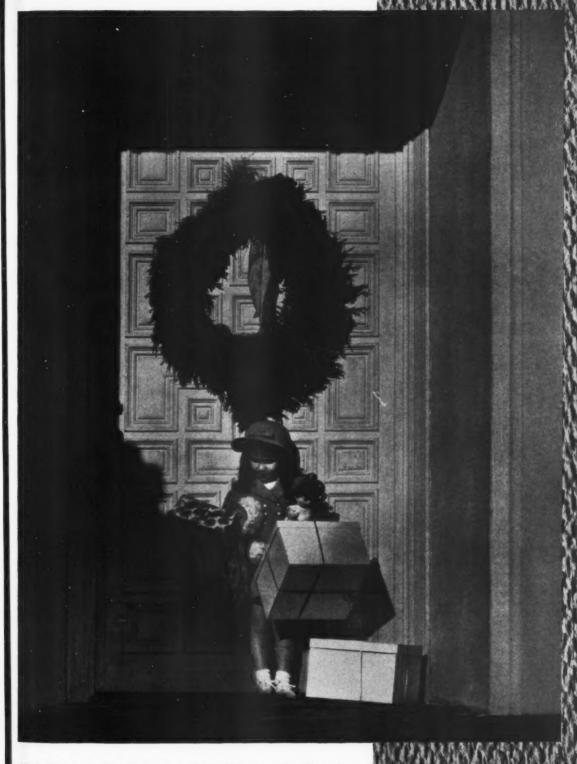
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"Judy," Dr. Irving Ellis, Piedmont, California. Print on Kodak Medalist F (glossy, white). The original, of course, has a quality and tonal range that cannot be fully retained in ink-and-halftone on high-speed presses. For Dr. Ellis' appraisal of Kodak Medalist Paper, see facing page.

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Simplifying your editing job can make it almost painless

Comes now the time of year when a lot of us finally get around to editing the footage we shot last fall. But as we screen the stuff, the job of rearranging it looks more imposing by the minute. What ever happened to those laudable plans we had for filming each subject according to script—the resolution we made to shoot *this* one right?

Well, just for example, when the family safari got to Niagara Falls you came into the area below the falls and worked your way upstream, necessarily filming as you went. It didn't occur to you until now that the picture story should begin above the falls, showing successively the swift-running river, the breath-taking drop, then the whirlpool and the rapids downstream. So this means rearranging the sequence of scenes right from the start. By the time you figure in the occasional overexposures, fast-pan blurs, and other bad footage that must be deleted, the prospect of

editing drives you back to watching even worse films on television.

Any shortcut to getting your editing job started would help, you say? All right, here's a modest plan whereby you can get into the thing almost painlessly.

Start with one reel of film—any reel—just as it came back from the processing lab. Equip yourself with a pencil and paper, and start projecting this film. Write on the paper a number and a brief description for each scene, good and bad. Your notes may run something like this: 1, Entering Gettysburg; 2, town scene; 3, closeup of road marker (overexposed); 4, panorama long shot (last part too fast), and so on.

When you're through projecting the reel, scan your notes. You'll soon have a rough idea of how you want the scenes rearranged, which ones should be shortened or cut entirely, and so on.

Next, use a colored pencil to re-number the scenes in the order in which you want them to appear. At the same time, check off the individual scenes which are to be eliminated.

Now you are ready to cut the film apart by scenes, placing each section of film in the desired order as you go. A bunch of typewriter ribbon cans and lids, having numbers painted inside them with red nail polish, will do as receptacles for these lengths of film. Tack the cans and lids to a sheet of plywood and they'll stay put.

When your film lengths are cut apart and placed in their numbered receptacles, you're all set to start splicing them together in their proper sequence. From here on it's your baby, but you'll find that this running start has greatly simplified your task.

A friend of mine had been having a lot of trouble with lack of color fidelity in his movies. He complained bitterly as one reel after another came back from processing with what seemed to be poor color rendition. Even after making allowance for his possible miscalculations of exposure I couldn't figure the thing out, so I went over one evening and had him project a few hundred feet for me. Here's what I found:

First, his projector lamp was living on borrowed time and gave nowhere near the amount of (Continued on page 102)

Chaplin: the best of the

BY HERBERT KEPPLER

THE MOTION-PICTURE WORLD is divided in two camps—the amateur and the professional. The amateur writes, directs, produces and perhaps acts in his films. He projects them for his own and his friends' enjoyment.

The professional is a specialist. He may direct or produce or write or act. He has always to keep one salient fact in mind—will the picture make money?

By this definition, Charles Spencer Chaplin began making movies as a professional and has become through the years the greatest amateur of them all. We have his word for his status:

"That's all any of us are—amateurs—we don't live long enough to be anything else."

Actually, those words emanate from the mouth of Calvero, the character Chaplin portrays in his latest film, Limelight. But in a very real sense Chaplin is telling the truth about himself. He is the director, the author, and the producer. He has made a film largely to please himself and his friends. His camera and lighting technique are outrageously simple. No faces, no trick montages, no optically printed scenes, a few pans, one dolly shot, one dissolve, and one unusual angle scene (page 31, right).

What, then, makes this new Chaplin effort effective pictorially? Two elements: the very artless simplicity of its making and the person of its main actor, Charles Chaplin.

In Limelight, Chaplin plays a has-been English music-

hall comedian who nurses a bad heart with ample doses of alcohol. He saves a young ballerina from suicide and helps her to regain confidence. He tries an abortive comeback and fails while she climbs to the heights of a ballet career. He is later given a benefit during which he proves himself again to be the great master comedian of his earlier years. He dies of a heart attack which occurs at the end of his performance.

That's the simple story line. But Chaplin turns it into a classic Columbine and Punchinello romance. The audience is made to laugh and cry almost simultaneously. No comic relief ends without tragic overtones. No bit of tragedy or melodrama terminates without laughs. And no one could have taken such a formula and been so successful with it save amateur Charles Chaplin. Without getting into a controversy over the merits of the extensive dialogue, let's examine Chaplin's stronger cinematic abilities.

The success of *Limelight* pictorially is the story of the face of Chaplin. Unlike the present crop of Hollywood and foreign actors, he learned the motion picture medium without benefit of sound. And while heavies threw their hands around like windmills to express the emotions that the silent screen couldn't deliver, Chaplin concentrated on the more subtle facial and body expressions which would connote emotion to the audience. He became the master pantomime artist, perhaps of all time.





amateurs...

Chaplin seldom uses tricky angles in Limelight. One exception, however, is in the main ballet footage during a scene change. The audience has been watching from the footlight side, except for dramatic incidents happening back stage. Suddenly the camera is repositioned to a place high in the theater's wings. It becomes a dispassionate chronicler. The scene below the camera, which as the curtain fell showed Columbine's ballet death, suddenly comes to life. As Columbine is helped off her couch, the workmen start to disassemble the scenery. The action progresses swiftly and gives the impression of a flower bud suddenly opening and then vanishing as the camera finally records a completely bare stage (frames at right, top to bottom). During the sequence the actors below resemble mechanical mannequins. Although this camera angle hits the viewer with a jolt after the many conventional camera positions seen previously, it is highly effective in aligning the viewers' sentiments and associations with the players instead of the audience. Directly below is a strip of three frames from a favorite Chaplin camera angle with which the movie is replete. Here the camera places the subject at head-and-shoulders distance, directly in the center of the frame. It is then up to the actor and lighting to create the action.

















The end of Calvero's flashback dream sequence contains one of the most brilliant pieces of pantomime on film. For approximately twenty seconds there is no dialogue, only a concentration on Chaplin's face as he first receives the acclaim of the music hall audience. Suddenly, the applause dies to a dead silence and a brief cut shows an entirely empty theater. The camera again picks up the haunted face of Calvero and then dissolves into the face of the awakened





Another example of Chaplin pantomime occurs when Calvero fails in his comeback try. Harsh lighting on a cold-creamed face and black shadows in the eye sockets emphasize complete failure and age (see text).

When sound arrived, Chaplin resisted it as best he could. Indeed, the little tramp with the small mustache, baggy pants and cane never did learn to talk. But Chaplin could not resist progress and Modern Times (1936) saw the last of the mute hero. The Great Dictator (1940) was a transition movie in which Chaplin talked for the first time. But when he was ready to embrace sound completely, a new Chaplin emerged, minus his traditional props. Monsieur Verdoux appeared (1947) as a satiric comedy in which Chaplin played a modern Bluebeard. But in Limelight, Chaplin plays himself.

In Limelight he created a character, Calvero, who recites Chaplin philosophy (unfortunately, to the point of verbosity at times), and is the kind, aging comedian Chaplin hopes he is. Calvero is endowed with Chaplin's greatest artistic gift, pantomime. Sound and dialogue accompany the picture rather than form an integral part of it.

Let's examine one comic scene (followed of course by tragedy) to see how an actor's genius for pantomime can change the scenic mood.

One night Calvero dreams of his old successful music-hall routine in which he does a trained-flea act with fleas invisible to everyone but himself (four frame enlargements above). At the end of the act, the crowd cheers him uproariously. His expression shows his elation. Suddenly the cheering stops and with the smile still on his lips, a perturbed expression enters his eyes and the smile becomes strained. The camera cuts to a shot of an entirely empty theater (not illustrated) in which there is dead silence, then back to a closeup of the apprehensive Calvero. This face dissolves and is replaced by the face of the now awake Calvero full of nightmare memories. The entire change runs for roughly





dreamer. These four still frames cut from the film only give evidence of a few Chaplin expressions as he runs the gamut from joy to wonder to horror and finally to disillusionment. The viewer has barely time to stop laughing over the music hall routine before he is called upon to share Calvero's horror in the nightmarish ending to the scene. This swift shift from one audience emotion to another occurs frequently. The audience is wrung emotionally dry before the picture ends.

twenty seconds and is one of the greatest bits of subtle pantomime on film. It bears study for both amateur and professional motion-picture makers.

Chaplin rarely uses dramatic lighting to enhance mood changes. He relies on acting almost completely. In two cases however, technical knowledge was put to work to enhance the dramatic effect. At one point (bottom photos, pages 80 and 81) Calvero sits alone on the ballet stage, a down-and-out comedian who has just seen the girl whom he has saved from suicide try out for a new ballet. She has proved herself a great ballerina. No one notices the once-great Calvero. Everyone leaves the stage. The lights are slowly turned off. Throughout, Chaplin's face holds one expression. It has no smile or pout, joy or sorrow. He seems to be seeing his own rise to fame, his downfall and the wonder of his protégée's recovery and dancing. The lights fade until only the compelling Chaplin eyes remain. No dialogue has been spoken, yet Calvero's eyes have said more than any script writer could fashion for his mouth.

Another outstanding piece of pantomime occurs as Calvero takes off his makeup after his comeback disaster. Here he attempts to show the weariness and age of the broken comedian (page 82, center and bottom). The air of despondency is further heightened by his cold-cream-covered face. As he removes his cold cream, the camera cuts to a closeup. A spotlight from the right illuminates Calvero's face but leaves his eye sockets in shadow, giving him the appearance of a corpse. It picks up the lines in his forehead and the bags underneath his eyes. There is no dialogue.

This, then, is Chaplin's secret—underplay, pantomime and, whenever necessary, simple changes in lighting—nothing, technically, that the amateur movie maker couldn't reproduce with a couple of floods and a spot or two.

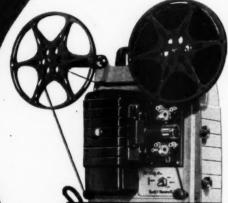
Limelight has been attacked as a movie whose filming technique died twenty years ago. If simplicity and fine acting died twenty years ago to be replaced by the tricks of the optical printer, color, fades, dissolves, countless dolly and pan shots, the screen is the poorer for it. Chaplin's technique allows his characters to be built up from within. His Calvero and ballerina are not mere actors and actresses reading lines. They are Calvero and a ballerina from the heart and mind. No cardboard figures, but three-dimensional living begins.

The amateur movie enthusiast can perhaps learn more that he can apply from watching Limelight than he can from any other Hollywood production: 1. Concentrate more on what is filmed than on trick techniques. 2. Show changes of mood by closeups of the principal actors or actresses. 3. Pick actors or actresses for their ability to use facial expressions rather than gesticulations. 4. Use lighting to heighten the mood but not unless absolutely necessary. 5. Keep pans, fades, dolly shots to a minimum. They often distract rather than add to a picture. After a trip to see Limelight you can add many more items to your list.

Of course, learning from Chaplin and copying his technique is a far cry from being as successful as he has been in *Limelight*. His methods can be studied and analyzed easily as we have done, but there remains that intangible thing called genius to reckon with. For Chaplin has mixed a rare elixir in *Limelight* of acting, directing, producing and writing. The ingredients of the brew are known but the order of mixture and the quantity of each remain secrets of the master mixer, and it is unlikely that any other cinematic bartender will achieve quite the same result.—THE END

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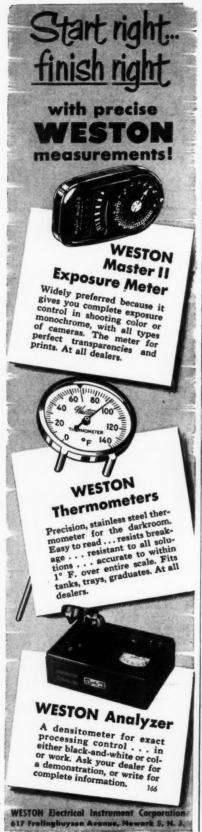
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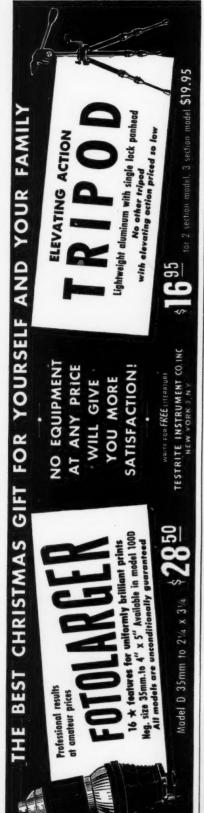
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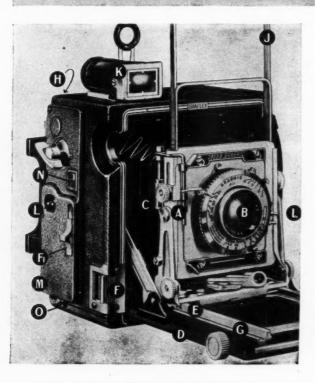


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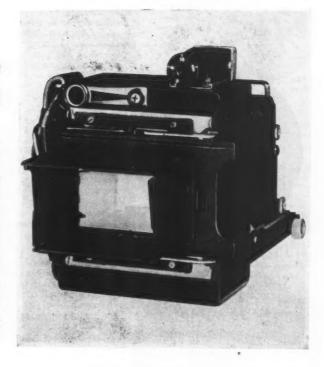
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Twenty Years Make A Difference

During the past twenty years a notso-gradual change has taken place in
photographic practice. Even professional photographers now use prepared
developers, and it is a rare exception
to find an amateur who clings to bulk
chemicals. One often hears that a lot of
the fun of photography was lost when
amateurs adopted prepared chemicals,
but such statements have to come from
the "old timers" because the latest crop
of amateurs have never known anything but canned developers.

Single Powder Developers

About the closest that a new amateur photographer comes to preparing a developer in the style of the old tradition is mixing the two—or sometimes three—parts of a prepared developer in the proper order. With liquid developers he foregoes the hazards of doing anything wrong, except in taking the solution temperature. But that takes

us into "physics", and I want to stick to photographic "chemistry".

In U. S. Patent 2,384,592, assigned to the Eastman Kodak Company, a means was disclosed by which the division of the developer components into two or more parts could be eliminated. It had been found that all of the chemicals necessary for certain types of developers could be put together if the mixture contained a stabilizing compound such as phthalic anhydride. To prepare a developer solution, then, all that the photographer had to do was measure the required amount of water and dissolve the entire contents of a single package. That's easier than making biscuits with Bisquick. If this trend continued it's going to get harder and harder to sneer at the housewife as an uninformed kitchen chemist.

There was some hope that photographers would not lose all of their chemical dignity when phthalic anhydride proved to have certain shortcomings in preparing single powder developers. It was not too successful, for example, when used with sodium metaborate (Kodalk) as the developer alkali. Moreover, it has the further disadvantage of not being very freely soluble in water, whereas it is well known that modern photographers consider anything beyond three or four motions of a stirring rod impractical in preparing developer solutions. The mood of the picture may be lost by changes in the latent image unless the developer can be readied without delay.

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It seems that the photographer of the future will have to be content with just making pictures, without knowing what goes into a developer.

What We Ought To Know

This leads us to the general problem of just what a photographer should know. In a recent issue of the British Journal of Photography (Oct. 10, 1952) this subject is discussed anonymously under the title "What We Ought To Know". The article points up a trend in England that parallels a trend observed by many of us here in America. The 1952 examinations in photography taken by students at the London Institute, Department of Technology of the City and Guilds, indicated a lessened ability to put on paper the essentials of the photographic process. Only 53.6 per cent of the students managed a passing grade, as compared to 60.5 per cent in 1951, and 73.4 per cent in 1950. The practical work submitted by the students was much better than the paper work.

It would be interesting to have the expressions of readers on the question of how much a photographer should know. The prevailing opinion of today's photographers will determine to a very great extent "what's ahead" in the way of training for photographers of tomorrow.—THE END.

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I am forced to." The resulting picture had all the spontaneity that you might get by standing and waiting-if you are lucky. But with Heiniger's precision approach, the results are insured-unless the sun goes down. Page 16.

From lakes to jumping men pretty much sums up the range of Heiniger's subject matter, provided you include every conceivable subject in between, from people to bugs to animals to airplanes. And considering the fact that most of his work is done for money on assignment, the range of subjects, the lack of obvious commercialism, and the presence of a high level of artistic taste is all the more remarkable. Heiniger explains it this way: "No matter what kind of photography you want to do in Switzerland, you have to do it for commercial and industrial accounts if you want to make a living from your work. If you try to live by selling to photography magazines or others, you'll starve, because the best of them don't pay \$5 a picture to the best photographers." On the other hand, he points out that a top-flight commercial photographer has a fairly free hand in the kind of work he can turn in for a job, so a photographer with taste and artistic sense doesn't have to compromise on the quality of his work just because he's being paid to do it for an ad or a poster.

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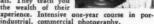
An example of this kind of thing is a shot of a mother and child that Heiniger did a few years ago. It had the serene quality of a Renaissance madonna, and the faces of the pair were anything but the slick, happy faces that frequently appear in four colors in American ads. Page 45. But even this one was on an assignment-for a poster for the Winterhilfe (Switzerland's annual Christmas charity).

Even when Heiniger isn't trying to make any money, he sometimes does anyway. Back in 1937 he spent several months shooting around a horse ranch on the plains of Hungary. He came back with an armload of pictures and decided to make a book of them. Page 44. So he put them together, did a layout, wrote the text, and then tried to get it published. But picture books don't sell any better in Europe, he says, than they do here, so it was tough to convince anyone that it was worth the gamble. Finally, however, one brave publisher agreed to do it. The result was Puszta Pferde (roughly Prairie Horse) which came out toward the end of the year and to everyone's surprise sold phenomenally both during the 1937 Christmas season and ever since. To date more than 16,000

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of Switzerland that kind of thing isn't

taken for granted, and Heiniger says these films were well received by Swiss

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copies have been sold, which-in a coun-

try of less than five million people—puts

it in the bestseller class. Heiniger re-

cently completed another book of his

work, which he hopes to publish in the

client for films is the Swiss telephone company. He has done films for them showing the laying of a phone cable over

the Alps, another on the manufacture of

a cable, several on the uses of the phone.

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takes showing the various uses of the

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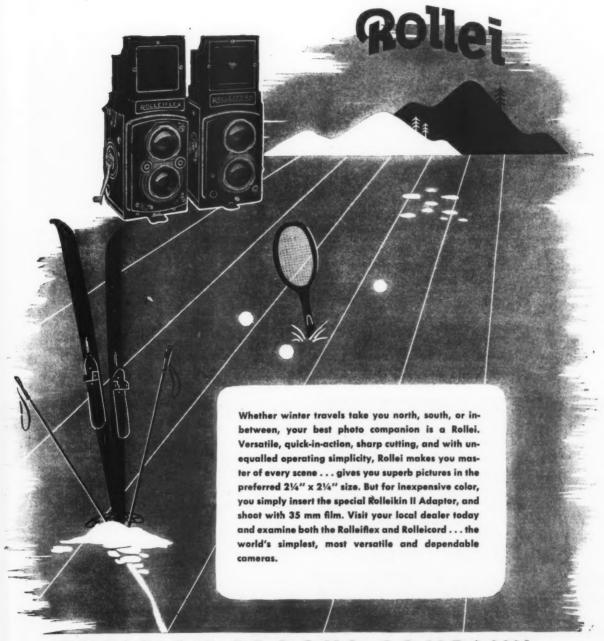
Heiniger's favorite camera is his 9x12 cm. Linhof with f/6.8 Goerz Dagor lens. But when he hasn't the time or the light to use it, he resorts to an Automatic Rolleiflex with an f/3.5 Tessar. He prefers the Linhof because he feels the shorter focal length of the Tessar combined with the smaller negative size costs him too much in loss of depth and increased grain. For most work he would rather use Kodak Plus-X than Super-XX because of its finer grain, but again, when he's working under adverse lighting conditions, he turns to Super-XX. He says

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Though we can't make use of color in this monthly contest, you may submit as many black-and-white prints as you wish. What's more, they can be of any size, and on any kind of paper. There are only a few rules: Put your name, address, and all photo data on the back of each print. This should include the kind of camera used, speed, f/stop, type of film, plus full lighting details. If the shot presented any particular shooting problems, tell us about them, too. Remember to include postage if you want pictures we cannot use returned. All contributions are considered for use elsewhere in the magazine. Send your contest pictures to: Columns Editor, MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY, 251 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

THIRD PRIZE \$10. While wandering through Culver City, Calif., on a hot Sunday afternoon, Dr. Arthur L. Sokoloff of Los Angeles saw this pattern. He set his Rollei at 1/100 and f/8; then exposed on Super-XX film with yellow filter.

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\$25 FIRST PRIZE. A broken window gave Steve Manville of Brooklyn, N. Y., a novel setting for this informal portrait of his wife. Manville exposed at 1/200 second and f/5 on Plus-X film, with Medalist I. The print was on Varigam.

SECOND PRIZE \$15, goes to Minoru Uchida of Fukuoka, Japan, who captured the liquid quality of water in this shot and enhanced it by using a long narrow format. Camera was a Japanese Minoltaflex. Exposure was 1/250 sec., and f/8, with Japanese Neopan film.

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that despite the rated speeds of the two, he doesn't think Super-XX is quite two times as fast as Plus-X. He has found that under normal lighting conditions outdoors in Switzerland, if the right exposure on Plus-X is 1/75 sec., it should be around 1/100 sec. for Super-XX.

In addition to the Linhof and the Rolleiflex, Heiniger also owns an ancient German wooden 5x7 view camera which he rarely takes out of his studio. For certain types of work in the studio he prefers it to his Linhof, but even then he uses an adaptor so that it will take 9x12 cm. film.

Ordinarily, Heiniger prefers to shoot outdoors whenever possible, using natural lighting plus aluminum or white reflectors. This is principally because such light costs less, but also because he likes the quality of daylight better than that of floods or spots. However, in Zürich where the weather usually is dismal in the fall and winter, it's almost impossible to depend on any kind of decent weather lasting long enough to make a set-up and shoot. Then, he's forced indoors, where he makes use of floods, spots, plus any daylight that may be available, but practically never flash. He says he would like to use electronic flash, but the units available thus far in Switzerland haven't been too good. He figures when he gets to America this spring, he'll be able to get an up-to-date electronic flash unit.

Heiniger doesn't do much darkroom work himself any more, although he says that at one time he did it all and can do anything his lab assistant can do. His general practice is to give his darkroom girl his negatives along with any special handling instructions. She develops the film and makes a set of straight prints. Then Heiniger takes a look at them and decides what kind of cropping or dodging she should do on the final set.

He uses D-76

His standard film developer now is D-76 although he has used others during his career, including DK-20. He says that if properly handled, D-76 gives him as fine a grain in his negatives as anything else will. All his darkroom solutions are used at 65°F. and he permits no variation unless it is necessary to get some special effect in a negative. For prints, Heiniger doesn't use any standard developer. Through a rather strange process he has come up with his own formula. After trying practically every paper developer on the market he decided that an average one in between all of them would be best. So he got the formulas of all the available prepared developers and took the average amount of each

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ingredient going into them and uses it as the proper amount for his own formula. As a result he has what you might call a cross-section of all the print developers made, and he says it works fine.

Practically all of his prints are made of Kodabromide paper with one of three Kodak commercial enlargers. For his mural prints which he makes on his studio wall, he uses a special king-sized job built in Germany. Unlike many bigtime American commercial photographers, Heiniger has a relatively small staff-only three people: a darkroom worker, a receptionist-bookkeeper, and a studio assistant. That means that he does most of the actual photographic work himself instead of merely directing the operations of a dozen or more people. It keeps the overhead down, he says, and it allows him to maintain a closer supervision of the quality, and precision of everything that comes out of his studio.

But now he is leaving it all behind him because he's afraid he has had it all a little too easy and thinks he ought to find new photographic worlds to conquer before he grows old and stale. That's the real reason he is selling out his Swiss operation and coming to this country.

It will be interesting to see what America looks like through Heiniger's precise camera-eye. -THE END

DR. CINEMA

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brilliant light required for good color projection. In addition to being dirty, the projector lens was an old one having an aperture too small to pass sufficient light for proper illumination. Moreover my friend was using this small-aperture lens and weak lamp to throw the image much too far. He'd have been better off accepting a smaller image, with the screen closer to the lens. The screen itself was an heirloom of some sort which had long since lost an appreciable portion of its reflective quality. To top things off, some illumination from a lamp in the hall was reaching the screen, thereby killing a certain amount of the screen image's brilliancy.

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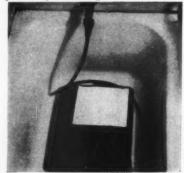
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33. Hoist the print by one corner, let excess shortstop drain off for a few seconds. Drop the print into the hypo tray face up, agitate it there with the tongs for about 30 seconds. Check that all enlarging paper is safely stowed away and turn on the room light to see what you've accomplished. Leave the print in the hypo for 7-10 minutes, no longer. Excessive time in fresh hypo will bleach the image, get so much hypo into the paper fibres that it is difficult or impossible, to wash it out of the print.



34. Proper and thorough washing is important to insure a long life for the print. For this the 11 x 14 tray is useful and the simplest place to put it is in the bathtub. Don't let a forceful stream of water hit the print directly above. Some rubber hose device like an inexpensive shower attachment below, can give a thorough but gentle washing action. Water should be kept within 65-80°F. range. If too cold, hypo won't be removed. If too hot, print may be damaged.



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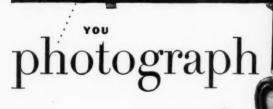
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as. A 37. After print has washed about an hour, hang it up to dry with a couple of plastic clothespins. Two more pins on the bottom act as weights to prevent excessive curling. Despite this precaution there will probably be considerable curl in the print. This can be removed by piling some heavy books on it for a day. The print must be on a solid, flat. smooth surface, and the weight must be at least as large as the print, flat and smooth, to avoid marks. There are other ways to dry prints, which will be illustrated in a future article.





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photographers looked abroad with envy. In France the calotype process was flourishing, even though Talbot had patented it there. Louis Desiré Blanquart-Evrard published in 1847 a slight modification of Talbot's technique which he called his own. Even Frenchmen protested at this outright plagiarism. But at his Photographic Printing Establishment in Lille, Blanquart-Evrard turned out calotype prints by the hundred, from negatives taken by various photographers. In quality, the French calotypes, particularly those made by Henry LeSecq, Charles Marville, and Maxime de Camp (who journeyed on the Nile with the writer Gustave Flaubert), exceeded anything made in England. In 1851 a group of French photographers formed the Société Heliographique, and began publishing a journal, La Lumière.

Not long afterwards, an informal meeting was held in London to found a similar society. One of the group, Robert Hunt, asked Talbot if some arrangements could not be made about the patent restriction. Talbot explained that he was forced, for economic and business reasons, to maintain his patent rights. He then made a definite proposition: he would give each member of the society, if it was "formed on a very respectable basis," a license, providing that the prints made by the members were not sold except for the benefit of the society. This generous offer apparently did not satisfy the group, who felt that Talbot should relinquish his rights. Feelings grew, until in an almost unprecedented manner two of the most influential semi-official groups in the land brought the combined weight of their authority to bear against Talbot as if he had been a malefactor.

The President of the Royal Society and the President of the Royal Academy wrote him: "We beg to inquire, whether it may not be possible for you, by making some alterations in the exercise of your patent rights, to obviate most of the difficulties which now appear to hinder the progress of the art in England." Talbot's reply, printed in The Times on August 13, 1839, was to give his patent "as a free present to the public"-with one exception, "the application of the invention to taking photographic portraits for sale to the public.'

Talbot's gift removed all obstacles for the practice of amateur photography. In 1853 the Photographic Society of London (now the Royal Photographic Society of Great Britain) was formed.

But already the calotype was becoming obsolete along with the daguerreotype. More and more photographers were working a new process: collodion. Glass plates flowed with collodion (in



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which a soluble halide was dissolved) were plunged into silver nitrate. While wet, the plate was developed in iron sulphate. The transparent glass negatives yielded prints richer in detail than could possibly be obtained with paper. The plate, when backed with black, produced a direct positive resembling a daguerreotype—called, in America, ambrotype.

The new technique was the invention of Frederick Scott Archer. In 1851 he published full working directions in the magazine *The Chemist*. He exacted nothing, not even the use of his name to describe the process, though his friends tried to put in circulation the word

"archerotype".

Professional portraitists not only found this new technique superior, but they saw in it a way to avoid dealing with Talbot. Their attitude was summed up in a caricature showing photography as the infant Hercules strangling two serpents, one labelled "Daguerre's Patent," and the other, "Talbot's Patent." But Talbot, with scientific justification, maintained that Archer's technique was a modification of his calotype process, and he insisted that all who took portraits professionally with collodion plates were guilty of infringing his patent. To protect his business interestshe had set up a portrait studio for his assistant, Nicolaas Henneman-he felt obliged to prosecute.

Talbot acts

Thomas Sims had two galleries in London, where he took portraits on glass plates. He claimed that one day he received a letter from Talbot, praising his collodion work, and requesting an interview. Flattered by the invitation of so eminent a man, Sims hastened to the rendezvous. There, he said, he found waiting for him, not Talbot, but Talbot's attorney, who advised him that he was guilty of infringing his client's technique. A license would cost £325 a year. It was staggering to the twenty-sevenyear-old photographer. "I might as well be ruined by not paying Mr. Talbot as be ruined by paying him," he wrote in his journal. He refused to pay, and his business was closed by court order. The sheriff nailed shut the doors of James Henderson's two London galleries, even though the judge was so unsure of his guilt that he felt the case should be tried. However he forced Henderson to cease business pending trial because "if the defendant was permitted to make these photographic impressions, all others would have a right to do the same.'

English patents have a life of fourteen years. Talbot's basic patent was due, therefore, to expire in 1855. He applied for a renewal in July, 1854. The Council of the Photographic Society called a (Continued on next page)







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FOX TALBOT

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special meeting to discuss what action, if any, should be taken. A letter was read from Martin Laroche, one of the professional portraitists Talbot was in the act of prosecuting. Laroche announced that his lawyer had entered a caveat (a notice to halt an act until those opposed to it are heard) against Talbot's application for an extension of his patent term. "It is my intention," Laroche said. "to resist such application to the utmost of my power, and in so doing, I trust that I may meet with the well wishes and support of all who are interested in the art of photography." The members were divided in their reaction.

The case of Talbot v. Laroche was brought to trial in December, 1854. The defense attempted to show that Talbot was not the true inventor of photography and was not entitled to the patent in the first place, and that even if he was entitled to patent the calotype technique. the collodion process was separate and distinct. The evidence became increasingly technical, so that the judge was bewildered. "I confess I am afraid I do not understand it," he told the jury in his summing up. But it was clear to the jury that-in the eyes of the Patent Law -Talbot was indeed the inventor of the calotype process and entitled to the patent. But the jury felt that the collodion process was sufficiently different so that it could not fall under the patent specification. Laroche was found not guilty.

Talbot was not at all satisfied. He wrote to his wife, "The jury understood little of the subject, but trusted to the judge, and the judge fell into awful mistakes, not being able to comprehend the process which he had never tried. It is impossible we can rest content with the summing up of the judge." But he never

appealed.

In the meantime, Talbot devised a technique for photographing on glass which closely resembled the albumen process of Niepce de Saint Victor. A glass plate was coated with white of egg. Silver salts were formed on this surface by treatment with silver nitrate, protiodide of iron, acetic acid and alcohol. The plate was exposed while wet and developed with iron sulphate. Talbot noted that, like a collodion plate, the result appeared "either negative or positive, according to the light in which they are held." He claimed that he observed this phenomenon before the collodion process was published.

With his new albumen plates, Talbot took in 1851 a photograph by the intense, brief light of an electric spark. He chose as a subject a rapidly revolving wheel, on the rim of which had been fastened a copy of *The Times*. The resulting positive picture was detailed enough so that

the headlines could be read. How accurately Talbot predicted the future we are only now beginning to realize. "It is in our power," he wrote, "to obtain pictures of all moving objects, no matter in how rapid motion they may be, providing we have the means of sufficiently illuminating them with a sudden electric flash. . .

In 1852 Talbot was working on yet another application of photography; the production of metal plates from photographs which could be printed in a press. He called this "photoglyphic engrav-ing," and in the course of his experiments he added one more basic invention to the formidable list already to his

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He was using metal plates coated with gelatin mixed with potassium bichromate. On exposure to light this mixture, soluble when mixed, hardened and became insoluble. If a plate prepared with this mixture was exposed beneath an engraving, or drawing, the gelatin lying beneath each separate line would be protected from the light, but the rest of the plate would be insolublized. When washed with water, the metal would be laid bare exactly where the lines appeared in the original. An etching fluid, poured in the furrows, would eat away the metal, forming grooves which would hold ink. The plate could be printed exactly like a visiting card. Thus far Talbot's invention did not embody any new principle. Talbot then thought of breaking up the half-tone areas into minute does of light and dark by first exposing the plate under a piece of crape, folded so the threads crossed at an angle of 45 degrees. He later used a ruled glass screen. This technique, the half-tone screen, became fundamental to almost all graphic arts techniques. The illustrations in a newspaper, examined under a reading glass, will be seen to be made up of a series of black dots. It was Henry Fox Talbot who showed the world how to do

This was the last of Talbot's photographic inventions. By the 1860's his chief interest-apart from mathematics and theoretical physics about which he wrote continually-was the deciphering of cuneiform inscriptions of ancient Assyria. He was never out of touch with photography, however, and was writing an account of his work in that field when he died, on the 17th of September 1877, at Lacock Abbey. The unfinished manuscript was completed by his son Charles and published as an appendix to the second edition of the English translation of Gaston Tissandier's History of Photography. Even this account does not give the full story of Talbot's contributions to photography, which only now we are beginning to realize. No single inventor did more.—THE END

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BIGGEST FLASH

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deadline, and get the following setup arranged: Fifty controlled light reflectors. made of 3 x 4 ft. sheet aluminum curved by wires to cover a specific area, were put in position. Each had eight sockets. and was mounted on a special tripod. Then eighty flexible 4 x 6 ft. aluminumtype foil reflectors, designed to flood large but carefully planned areas, were laid among the formations, and clusters of sockets were placed on them-also according to Helm's plan. This called for low key lighting in the foreground, medium key in the middle, and high key in the background.

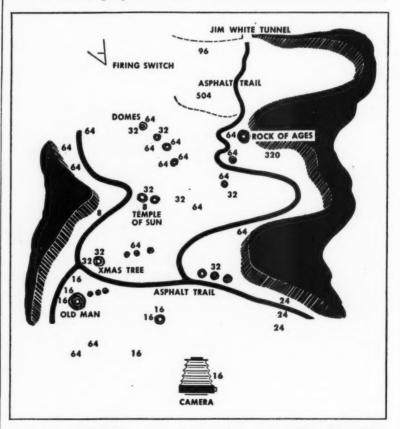
What about wiring?

Wiring could have been done in several ways, but Martenson picked the method which would use the least power. This was a series-parallel hookup, for which groups of eight bulbs were wired together in series, like Christmas tree lights. On the day of the shot each of these series-wired groups was tied in

parallel to the transformer which would supply it with 110-volt AC.

Lots of power was needed, and it came from a 2200-volt feeder line, which along with seven of the ten transformers used. was a permanent part of the Caverns' equipment, supplying light for all the trails. The three non-Cavern transformers were added to balance the load, and leave a wide safety factor.

In the eerie Cavern light, crews worked rapidly under the supervision of technicians from Sylvania and other experts, checking wires, screwing in bulbs, and putting together the 15-ft.high camera scaffold. Nineteen cameras were fastened to an 18-ft. plank on the scaffold and looked over the Big Room. Besides a Stereo-Realist and four 8 x 10 Eastman View Cameras, there were 14 4 x 5 cameras—a Linhof Super Technika, a Meridian, a Brand-17, five Speed Graphics, and six Graphic view cameras. All but the Stereo-Realist (which used Kodachrome Type A and the equivalent of the present-day 81D filter) were loaded with Ektachrome, Type B film from the same emulsion batch, donated by



Here's how 2,400 flashbulbs were placed to photograph Carlsbad Caverns' Big Room (page 52)—and set a new world's record for multiple flashbulb photography. The numbers on this aerial-type diagram represent groups of bulbs, which were placed in reflectors described in the text. The small circles show rock formations. As you can see by comparing the diagram with the final shot, some of the flashbulbs were carefully placed outside of the camera's viewing range. Originator of this lighting plan was Carlsbad photographer Tex Helm.

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Eastman Kodak. To balance the Ektachrome to flash, 81C gelatin filters were fastened behind the lenses with cellulose tape. Camera stops were set from f/16 to f/32 even though a black-andwhite test shot of a section had been made the night before. After all, a retake was out of the question. And, as it turned out, calculations were within one stop of the perfect exposure.

Ready to shoot

Just what was the timetable for taking this shot? By 1:09 A.M. everything was ready, and all activity was at a standstill. The people who were to be photographed in the room to give it scale had already been placed in position, told where to look, and cautioned against smoking or making any kind of light. Then the entire room was plunged into darkness, and the following schedule was carried out using voice signals:

Fifteen minutes to switch over from Cavern lighting to Project Flash.

Five minutes for Helm and assistant D. E. Inkley of Eastman Kodak Co. to pull slides and open shutters.

One minute for Claude Carpenter,

chief electrician of the Caverns, to throw the 2200-volt oil switch. At exactly 1:30 A.M. a blinding flash illuminated the room with light equal to that produced by over four million standard 60-watt lamps. Some who were there said that it was the greatest light produced in the State of New Mexico since the explosion of the first atom bomb. And the two bulbs which failed to flash made no real dent in the amount of light produced. In the rush of getting things set up for the shot, rough handling must have allowed air to penetrate the bulb envelope. For that reason the bulbs didn't go off, though electrical contact in their series was maintained.

More to go

Yes, the big shot was over—but still the 8 A.M. deadline had to be met. Slides and shutters were closed in five minutes, wiring was switched back to Cavern lighting—and cleanup crews swung into action. By 7:45 A.M.—just 15 minutes before the Caverns' tours began again—not a trace of the night's operations was left for visitors to see. But a great deal had happened since 4 P.M.—and a new multiple flash record had been set in the Big Room—Cora Alsberg.

Note: The world's biggest flash picture is at present the property of Tex Helm—but arrangements have been made to supply 35mm slides, regular stereo slides, or prints of this photograph to Modern's readers. They are available at a reasonable price. For additional information write: Flash Editor, Modern Photography, 251 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.







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All modern stereo cameras are equipped with built-in flash. By using synchro connecting cords the flash may be removed from the camera. Not all flash guns, however, are readily modified for use off the camera or for extension flash work. Your individual equipment problems are best presented to your camera dealer for solution.

The exact positioning of the key flashbulb light can be determined with the 60-watt bulb and extension cord. The guide number specified for bulbs (see manufacturer's data on carton) is intended as an aid in determining the correct aperture at which the camera must be set when the light source is a selected distance from the camera, and the full effect of the light is available from the camera point of view. When the light is moved markedly to one side or the other from the camera position, illumination from the camera's viewpoint becomes uneven, the side of the face closer to the light receiving the most. The guide number must therefore be decreased slightly for the proper overall exposure. Just how much, only experience with your equipment will tell you.

By using an extension flash in addition to a key light, a second flash may be used to provide an accent on the hair and shoulders of the subject, and to give separation where a dark background is employed. The second light must be placed high enough to illuminate the back of the head and not shine into the camera lenses (top, page 73).

"Pink eye" goes hand-in-hand with flash-on-camera technique in stereo. To those fortunate few stereographers who have never encountered it, we might explain that "pink eye" is the alarming red glow from the eyes of a person or animal that appears in so many flash pictures. It is caused by the beam of light from the flash-on-the-camera entering the pupil of the eye and being reflected back from the tiny red blood vessels that make up the rear surface of the eyeball.

"Pink eye" occurs most frequently when flash pictures are taken in a room where the light level is low. This causes the pupils to open up and a wide area for the beam of light to enter and be reflected back into the camera lenses.

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Backgrounds for stereo portraits should be selected for color harmony. Textures in stereo assume real importance. A background rich with detail, such as a tapestry or a cabinet of miniatures would be confusing and usually undesirable in planar. In stereo, it may well add interest. But in such case the background should point up or complement the subject.

Among the more interesting stereo portraits are those where structural shapes, receding in depth, are used to advantage as backgrounds. The curves of a balustrade, an archway, a corridor, or a window not only add depth to the slide, but more important, place the subject in a familiar environment or a setting justified by association or artistic contrast.

Foreshortening, the evil gremlin that distorts the results in most amateur portraits by exaggerating the size of foreground objects, is not too serious a problem in stereo. It is caused by moving in too close to the subject with small cameras using short focal length lenses.

In stereo, we can make extreme closeup portraits if we arrange our subject so that nothing in the scene approaches too close to either edge of our framed picture. Our subject must be centered in the viewfinder, with ample space around him. The background in closeups should be kept absolutely plain—the sky an unpatterned flat surface.

If, for example, the subject is arranged with his elbows on a table which extends from edge to edge in our picture, the slide will be uncomfortable to view, even in an ultra-closeup mask. Also, it behind our sitter we have a patterned background of wallpaper or brick, though the camera will truthfully record

the subject in the foreground and the complete detail of the background, the slide will be unsatisfactory. It will be difficult to focus on both subject and background simultaneously. Why look for trouble? Keep the background plain in closeups and avoid disturbing elements on the edges. Foreshortening will be present in the slide, but only to the same degree that it is present when we look at the subject from the same range. It will seem quite natural.

Another difficulty which will be encountered when taking stereo closeups is exaggeration in depth. An example: In a full-face view of a person with a long nose, the nose tip will look much further away from the face than it really is. This distortion appears to some extent in hand viewers, but it is quite obvious in projection. So, to avoid such distortion, when we are photographing people with angular faces or long noses, we dare not come as close as we might to the round, cherubic face of an infant.

Thus we see that although stereo portraiture allows us a certain amount of freedom in posing our subject not granted to the planar photographer, distortion can occur and must be avoided. Stereo portraiture must therefore be attempted with an understanding of the problems and the will to overcome them if it is to be successful.—THE END



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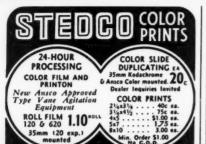
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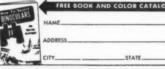
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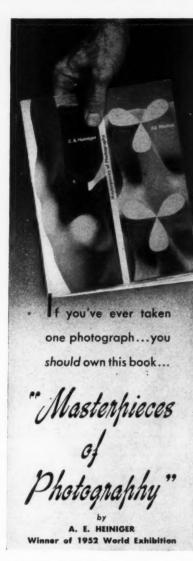
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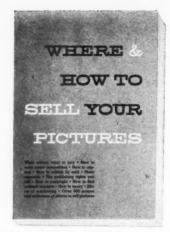
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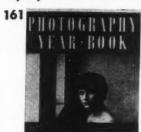
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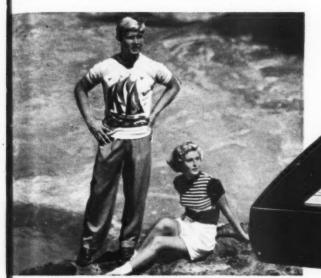
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